



OUR MISSION: TO EDUCATE, TO MOTIVATE, TO ACTIVATE, TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES WE TOUCH

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Congregation Etz Chaim Monroe Township Jewish Center

UPCOMING EVENTS



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SHALACH MANOT!

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See p. 9-10 for the order form



From The Rabbi

Shalom Chaverim!

This past month has been an exciting month in our community! This past Shabbat, our Hebrew school kids led us for a Shabbat service and a play (sphiel) for Parshat Tetvazeh. The kids did an amazing job! Congrats kids, Yasher Kochem! Earlier this month, we also had a student Shabbat on February 10th when our kids did another amazing job during Parshat Mishpatim! At the beginning of our month, we had our Cabaret Night, then the Aufruf & Wedding of Pam Goldberg and Jon Bennett. Both events were amazing! Thank you to everyone and Mazel tov!

This upcoming month, we have some exciting events planned. In March, we have Shabbat Across America planned on the 1st, class led Purim Shpeils on the 22nd and 24th, and Purim with Chazzan Wisnia and music on March 23rd.

Turning to our Torah, our past couple of Torah portions discuss at length the construction of the Ark that will house the tablets and the various adornments and construction techniques employed to bring it into existence.

These sets of Torah portions are always my favorite. As many of you have come to learn, I love to do wood-working and although following the tiny instructions for construction of items is tedious to many, I have always found building items cathartic and relaxing.

These Torah portions are set apart from vast narrative portions of our Exodus narrative. Yet they affirm that in moments of great miracles performed before our own people the opportunities to return for introspection and build an Ark, a community, a nation.

These upcoming weeks will offer us the opportunity for introspection as we lead into Purim and then Passover. They present us with the opportunities to invite friends and family we may not otherwise see to be by our side in moments of celebration and to be one with our community. I look forward to celebrating them soon!

Kol tuv v'Am Yisrael Chai,

LEARN TORAH BLESSINGS WITH RABBI LEVY

Do you want to learn the songs of our Kabbalat Service? Have you ever wanted to practice the torah blessings or learn the blessing for the Haftorah reading in Hebrew?

Now you can hear Rabbi Levy chanting these prayers and blessings from our website.

<https://etzchaimmtjc.org/learning/learn-blessings-songs>

ADULT BAR/BAT MITZVAH CLASS

Are you interested in joining a new Adult Bar/Bat mitzvah class. Please call the Office if you are interested.

Do you know someone who is interested in converting to Judaism? Would you or someone you know like to learn more about Judaism? Rabbi Polin is offering an Introduction to Judaism class. Please reach out to Rabbi Polin if you are interested in the course.

Bikur Cholim means “visiting the sick”.

Some authorities maintain that Bikur Cholim is one of the 613 commandments of the Torah, while others hold it as a rabbinic command, derived from “Thou shall love thy neighbor as thyself.” (Lev. 19:18)

A group of your fellow congregants would like to visit you or your loved one if homebound or ill.

SHOPPING FOR SHABBAT

We need helpers (men/women) for the Friday & Saturday services.
Please call the Office 732-251-1119

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Monroe Twp Jewish Center
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Donations

Thank you for contributing to:

General Fund

Marsha Peck in memory of her father Simeon Baron
Marsha Peck in memory of her brother Howard Baron
James Peck in memory of his mother Bernice Peck
Amy Appleman in memory of her husband Sidney Appleman
Amy Appleman in memory of her mother Jennie Portis
Amy Appleman in memory of her father Max Poris
Amy Appleman in memory of her sister Helen Poris
Donation in honor of Harriet Fleisig's birthday

PLEASE NOTE: All donations for Rabbi's Discretionary Fund MUST be made out to Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

GET WELL TO:

Claire Davis, Harriet Katz, Myra Levis, Bill Nattrass, Sharon Wander, Debbie Yivakes.

CONDOLENCES TO:

Pam Goldberg in memory of her beloved grandmother, Carol Lichtenstein

May his memories be a blessing and may he be comforted by the family.



We Remember Our Loved Ones



Goldie Presseisen	Mother	of	Ann Erlich	1-Mar
Saul Bartelstone	father	of	David Rothman	1-Mar
Melvin Watine	Father	of	Lisa Abere	2-Mar
Doris Baron	Mother	of	Marsha Peck	4-Mar
Edith Sincoff	Mother	of	Jay Sincoff	4-Mar
Jean Better	Aunt	of	Iris Rabinowitz	5-Mar
Rachel Becker	Mother	of	Denise Pine	5-Mar
Gertrude Silverston	Mother	of	Sandy Richek	5-Mar
Jenny Goodman		of	Gayle Natrass	6-Mar
Etta Peller	Mother	of	Stephen Peller	9-Mar
Harvey Marcus	Cousin	of	David Rothman	13-Mar
Anna Buchsbaum-Manziano	Mother	of	John Manziano	14-Mar
Marge Francisco	Cousin	of	Phil Kaufman	15-Mar
Rebecca Hoberman	Mother	of	Ellen Goodman	16-Mar
Harold Levenson	Father	of	Ellen Yochelson	16-Mar
Milton Goldstein	Father	of	Margery Estrin	21-Mar
Elinor Harris	Mother	of	Jay Harris	26-Mar
Charlotte Freedman	Mother	of	Michael Freedman	31-Mar

Birthdays

Brad Mann
 Carly Drobbin
 Karen Harris
 Rashe Farber
 Robynn Mann
 Shannon Longmore
 Sierra Yong Yow
 Spencer Abere
 Spencer Mann
 Taylor Spalding
 Wendy Roth

Anniversaries

David & Liz Rothman
 Irwin & Sharon Lentchner

Join the Etz Chaim Book Club

March 7th @ 2pm

at Renee & Bernie Friedman's house. Call the office for the address and to let them know you will be coming.

The book this month is "The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store" by James McBride.

From the financial secretary:

Our senior family rates start at age 65. When one of the household members turns 65, please let me know at fin-secy@mtjc.org

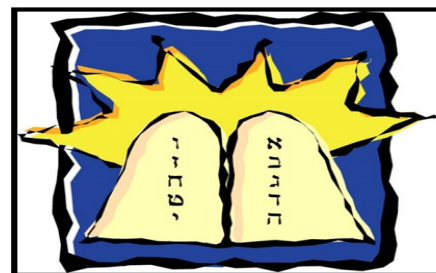
From the office manager:

If anyone leaves cash in the box or on my desk, please leave your name and indicate what the money is for. Otherwise, the money will be entered under anonymous donor and you won't get credit for it.

Thank you,
 Diana

Join the Etz Chaim Talking with the Rabbi (a.k.a. Matmidim)

Adult Education Group



Make your Torah study

A regular thing!

Wednesdays @ 11:00 am

Immediate Past President

Dear Members and Friends of Congregation Etz Chaim,

Lately, there have been a lot of news stories about volunteering, and its link to decreasing depression, or increasing contentment. As you know, being Jewish has been very difficult lately, and you know we need each other more than ever. We need to help each other more than ever!

The Board needs help badly. Ann, Marilyn, Robynn, Lynn, Rhoda, and I can't keep doing this. Alan and Rick are getting older. Evie, Ellen and others from the Membership committee have helped decrease our workload ever since they volunteered last year. You can volunteer with accounting, billing, and Hebrew School. There is a lot to choose from. It could be an opportunity for you and a friend to hang out and be co-chairs together. None of these positions have to be solo positions. We are willing to shadow you, and if you think you can't do it after 6 months...no hard feelings.

Keep in mind, like many of you, we work full-time, and take care of our families. I can only speak for myself, but volunteering for our congregation has helped with my mental health.

If you need more information, contact the office, and they will get back to me (Laura).

Thank you in advance,
The Board of Trustees

From the Treasurer and Financial Secretary:

All checks for the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund have to be made out to "Rabbi Polin's Discretionary Fund", not to Congregation Etz Chaim. The Rabbi has his own account to manage his discretionary fund and writing the check to Etz Chaim, causes a delay in providing the funds to the Rabbi and increases the work of the financial team to track this and to write the Rabbi additional checks.

If you have any questions, please contact Marilyn via email - fin-secy@mtjc.org

Thank you to Iris Ivers for sending a copy of her late husband's artwork that was on display for our International Holocaust Remembrance Day event last month. If anyone is interested in visiting the museum in Cherry Hill where Iris's late husband's artwork is on display, please email Rabbi Polin or Liz.



Purim Cafe

PURIM SERVICE ~ SPIEL ~ SUPPER
MUSIC WITH AVI WISNIA

Saturday March 23 - 6:30pm

We're combining a dairy/vegetarian potluck dinner and Purim celebration into one fun filled evening. All are welcome to dress in costume.

Please bring a dairy or vegetarian main dish, appetizer, side dish, or wine to share. You don't have to cook - you can purchase an item, just make sure it does not contain meat as this is a dairy meal.



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Send gift baskets to each other and fulfill a Purim Mitzvah. Each gift basket will consist of those delicious Purim goodies – hammentashen along with candy and grape juice.

Let this be your special thank you to temple friends, family and your children's teachers.

Prices & Special Offers

Each gift basket costs \$10.

Esther's Esteemed Entourage – For \$100, you can select up to 12 names and you will be added to Esther's Esteemed Entourage – and your name will be added to every single basket that is sent!

Reciprocity – We will send a basket to anyone that sends you a basket. You will be billed for this on your next month's statement.

Please call the office and leave a message for Robynn M if you wish to order more than 12 baskets

Mail your check with the completed order form to the temple.

Use the back of this form to select your recipients.

Families will only receive 1 basket regardless of how many are pledged to them.

PLEASE GET YOUR ORDER IN BY March 15 – No Exceptions

Reciprocity (send a basket to anyone who sends me one) _____

Esther's Esteemed Entourage _____ (Select 12 names on the order form)

Sponsor Name: _____

Amount of check: \$ _____ Total Baskets ordered _____

Purim Basket Order Form page 2– Deadline March 15, Put X in box to right of name – Send page 1 & 2 to office

Abere, Lisa & Andrew		Heyers, Gloria & Michael		Polin, Shmuel	
Appleman, Amy		Ivers, Iris		Polin, Stephen & Jacqueline	
Badalaty, Lea		Jacobs, Rhoda		Popper, Robert	
Bekas, Michael & Sharon		Joiner, Carolyn & Jeff		Rabinowitz, Sam & Iris	
Belzer, Stephanie & Dennis		Kahn, Sheila & Bob		Richek, Larry & Sandy	
Bloom, Neil & Phyllis		Katz, Harriet		Rodgers, Buddy	
Blumenstock, Norman & Harriet		Kaufman, Marsha & Phil		Rodner, Lindsey & Donald	
Blumhof, Steven		Kay, Joyce		Roth, Ellen & Ira	
Bolstein, Myrna		Korn, Sandi		Roth, Eric & Wendy	
Brettschneider, Kenneth & Susan		Kornbluth, Andrea		Rothman, David & Liz	
Brown, Jeff & Natrass, Lori		Kornbluth, Michelle		Saiewitz, Marilyn	
Captan, Esther & Nader		Kurland, Cecelia		Samuel, Matthew & Angela	
Cohen, Judith		Kvitnitskiy, Galina & Pavel		Sansiveri, George & Wendy	
Cohen, Steven & Susan		Leibowitz, Michael & Judy		Scheff, Pamela	
Daus, Jonathan		Lentchner, Irwin & Sharon		Scheiner, Eve	
Drobbin, Gloria		Levine, Elaine		Schneier, Arthur	
Drobbin, Stacey & Jay		Levis, Myra		Scholar, Ann & Petruska, George	
Erlich, Ann		Levy, Andrew & Elayne		Schwartz, Karen & Russell	
Estrin, Margery & Rick		Levy, Rabbi Ben & Evelyn		Simon, Brian & Nancy	
Faigin, Laurie & Jason		Liebross, Jeff		Sincoff, Jay & Marcia	
Farber, Rashe		Longmore, Heidi & Gerard		Singer, Lynne & Sean	
Finkle, Eileen		Mann, Brad & Robynn		Sorkin, Matthew & Gail	
Fisher, Hope & Michael		Manziano, John		Spalding, Tracy & Ross	
Fisher, Michael & Marla		Martinez, Jon & Marta		Steinberg, Laura & Marc	
Fleisig, Harriet		Merli, Sharon & Ted		Stern, Eileen & Steve	
Freedman, Michael & Melany		Moskowitz, Beth		Stopek, Norma & Lloyd	
Friedman, Bernie & Renee		Nahmias, Gladys		Stroke-Swanson, Ilana & Robert	
Friedrich, Alan & Ginda		Natrass, Gayle & Bill		Whitcomb, Amy	
Goldberg, Pamela & Bennett, Johnathan		North, Alison & Tom		Wisnia, Avi	
Goodman, Ellen & Andrew		Peck, Marsha & James		Yivakes, Debbie & Neil	
Grant, Jody & Martin		Peller, Stephen		Yochelson, Jerry & Ellen	
Harris, Jay & Karen		Perlzweig, Beverly & Mar- tin		Ziegelheim, Miriam	
Feinberg, Barbara		Pine, Denise & Martin		Yong-Yow, Ellie & Milton	

CORNERSTONE FOUNDATION

When writing a check for the Cornerstone Foundation, make it out to **Monroe Twp Jewish Center**. You must **put Cornerstone in the memo section** of the check.

Since its formal inception in Nov 2017, we have received generous donations from over 25 member and non-member families ranging from \$18 to \$25,000. As promised, Cornerstone funds are being used for major projects, general operating expenses and we are retaining funds in reserve to build a cushion of funds for future use.

The project funds have been used to replace the vinyl flooring in the rear of the sanctuary in the classroom space, for repairing the driveway and for the HVAC and exterior repairs. (In the future, depending on donations, we hope to make improvements to the bimah. We would like to replace the Torah reading table, the two podiums, and the chairs. We have made the bimah itself more accessible to those who have some difficulty walking by making the stairs and ramp more compliant.

Donations in any amount are welcome. You will find the brochure pages here in Roots or you can make a direct donation on our website.



Pledge & Payment Plan

I/We have committed today to
a charitable donation to
Congregation Etz Chaim
Monroe Twp Jewish Center
Cornerstone Fund.

I/We agree to make the
following payments to
Cornerstone:

Total Amount of
Contribution:

\$ _____

Payments are to be made
(circle one)

Monthly

Quarterly (Every 3 months)

Semi-Annual (Every 6
months)

Yearly

In the amount of

\$ _____

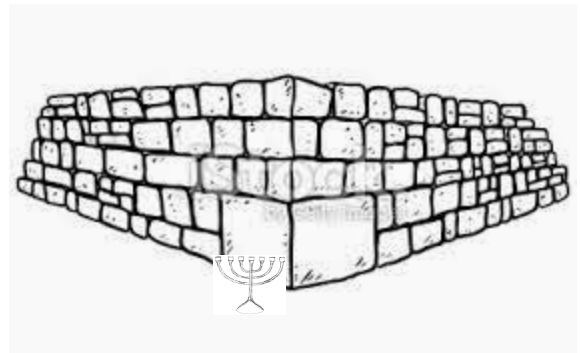
per payment.

For _____ total



Cornerstone Fund

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Twp. NJ 08831

Phone: 555-555-5555

Fax: 555-555-5555

Email: someone@example.com

Cornerstone Fund



Facts about the Cornerstone Fund

What is the Cornerstone Fund?

It is a fund established to ensure the continuity of our synagogue for the next 30 years.

Why should I donate to the fund?

Donating to Congregation Etz Chaim is a mitzvah but more importantly, because you want your synagogue family to thrive in the coming years.

How will the funds be managed?

The funds will be managed by a steering committee with spending approved by the Board of Trustees. Up to 35% of each year's income will be applied to current operational expenses to maintain services, 30% will be applied to large projects, such as building improvements or ritually related projects; the final 35% will be invested in order to create future income. All donations will be invested in a fiduciary manner with an eye to maintaining principal.

How will donors be recognized?

Donors will be recognized at special Shabbat celebrations and other events.

A Message from Rabbi Levy

In ancient days, our ancestors paid membership dues to the Temple in Jerusalem, Judaism's focal point. However, dues alone did not ensure the continuity of the Temple and its holy function. Rather, the Torah invites the congregation to bring "Terumah," that which is lifted up in holiness; freewill offerings of the heart.

Congregation Etz Chaim shines as the focal point for Judaism in southern Middlesex County, the only full-service synagogue in Monroe Township. Like the Temple in ancient days, we require the Mitzvah of freewill offerings of the heart to maintain our holy function.

Our Board has managed our financial affairs wisely and the funds built through the generosity of our members have in the past sustained us. But without enhanced revenue our reserve may soon be depleted. We have never needed you more. Your generosity will make a big difference, now and for our future.

When we complete a Book of the Torah we declare: Chazak, Chazak V'nitchazeik! Let us be strong, be strong, and strengthen one another! May all of us in the Etz Chaim family of families know the support of one another; that's what it means to be part of a Jewish community.

Rabbi Ben Levy

Giving Levels

Diamond \$25,000+

Platinum \$15,000 to \$24,999

Gold \$5000 to \$14,999

Silver \$1000 to \$4,999

Chai \$18 to \$999

Payment Plans: Payment plans are available at the discretion of the donor. Suggested payment plans are as follows:

Diamond: Payments may be spread over 4-5 years.

Platinum: Payments may be spread over 3-5 years.

Gold: Payments may be spread over 2-5 years depending on commitment level.

Silver: Payments may be spread over 2 years. Depending on commitment level, please consider making an annual commitment for 2-5 years.

Chai: Full payment would be appreciated within one calendar year. Please consider making a commitment to donate at this level for 3-5 years.

Thank you for your generous contribution and continuing support of Congregation Etz Chaim Monroe Twp Jewish center.

Congregation Etz Chaim is a 501c3 non-profit organization. Your contribution is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. No goods or services were provided in exchange for your generous financial donation.

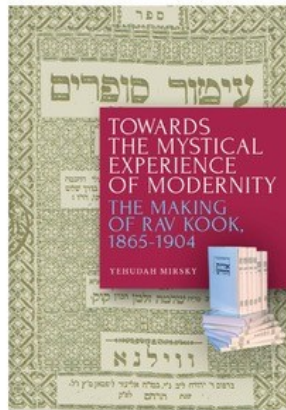
The Allen and Joan Bildner Center for the Study of Jewish Life Spring 2024 Programs

► Wednesday, January 31, 7:00 p.m. (Virtual)

Mystical Zionism's Surprising Origins: Rav Kook's Early Decades

YEHUDAH MIRSKY,
Brandeis University

Supported by the
Sagner Family Foundation



► Thursday, February 29, 7:30 p.m.

A Conversation with Pioneering Female Cantor Susan Mandell

Presented by the **Jewish Music Forum**,
a Project of the American Society for
Jewish Music

Cosponsors: Bildner Center; Douglass Residential College; Department of
Music, Mason Gross School of the Arts; Temple Emanu-El of Edison



ACADEMIC SYMPOSIUM

Black Americans, Jewish Americans: Historical Intersections, Collisions, and Passings

► March 4-5, 2024

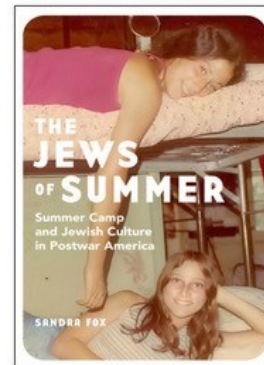
This interdisciplinary symposium will reexamine the relationship of Black and Jewish Americans to each other and to White Christian American society. It will explore politics, culture, nationalism, and religion with a focus on how Black and Jewish Americans have negotiated their participation in American society.

► Monday, March 4, 7:30 p.m.

The Abram Matlofsky Memorial Program
funded by the Karma Foundation

Not Quite White in Fiction and Film: Laura Z. Hobson's *Gentleman's Agreement* and Nella Larsen's *Passing*

- **DONAVAN L. RAMON**,
Bildner Visiting Scholar, Rutgers University
- **RACHEL GORDAN**, University of Florida
- **GENE SEYMOUR**, Film and Cultural Critic



► Monday, April 8, 7:30 p.m.

The Toby and Herbert Stolzer
Annual Program

Jews by Nature: Summer Camp, Youth, and American Jewish Culture

SANDRA FOX,
New York University

The Herbert and Leonard Littman Families
Holocaust Resource Center

Professional Development
for Middle and
High School Teachers

Free Mini-Course on Theresienstadt

JUSTIN CAMMY,
Aresty Visiting Scholar,
Rutgers University

Contact Sarah Portilla at
Sarah.Portilla@rutgers.edu.



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More information available on the website:
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Email: RSVPBildner@sas.rutgers.edu

RUTGERS
School of Arts and Sciences

Committee Reports

Membership

Welcome to our New Member

Barbara Feinberg

She has been attending Saturday services and Talking With the Rabbi.

The membership mission is not just about getting new members. It's getting members, new and long time (not old), to know each other, to participate in activities, to suggest activities and to volunteer. We are talking to YOU. We need YOU and hope you will consider increasing your participation. Thank YOU.

Hope to see you soon.
Evie and Ellen aka e&e

Sisterhood

We have been off for the winter, January and February. Our next meeting is March 12th. We will do a book club. The book we will discuss is "The Matzah Ball, a novel" by Jean Meltzer. Judy Cohen will run the discussion. We hope February weather is better than January.

Rhoda & Marcia

Social Action

The Social Action food drive continues. Please donate non-expired, non-perishable food items. Thanks also for your contributions to our ongoing clothing drive. Those donations are always needed.

The Social Action Committee will be meeting monthly on the third Tuesday afternoon at 1:00 in the future. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 19. Meetings are hybrid. New members are always welcome. Please email SocAct@MTJC.org for the Zoom link

Interfaith Activities

We are hosting the interfaith group for a shared kiddush on Saturday March 2, 12 pm immediately following morning services. Please join our service and kiddush in person and show our strength.

The next dates are:

Thursday March 14, 5:45 PM Iftar Dinner
Central Jersey Turkish Community Center
80 Cottontail Ln, Somerset, NJ 08873

Sunday May 5, 1:30 PM Interfaith Coffee Hour
Central Jersey Turkish Community Center
80 Cottontail Ln, Somerset, NJ 08873

You may visit the interfaith website to keep up to date on all interfaith activities.

<https://cjinterfaith.org/>

Ongoing Fundraising

CONTRIBUTIONS:

If you are interested in making a contribution to Etz Chaim Monroe Township Jewish Center, please fill out the form below and mail it to us at: **Etz Chaim MTJC, 11 Cornell Ave., Monroe Twp., NJ 08831**

In honor of: _____

In memory of: _____

On the occasion of: _____

Amount of your Donation:

In hope for complete and speedy recovery of: _____ ☐ \$18 ☐ \$36 ☐ \$54 ☐ \$72 ☐ \$118 ☐ Other \$ _____

This donation is being made by: _____ Please Allocate Donation to one of the following categories:
Name: _____

Tree of Life Order Form

Help to make our **TREE OF LIFE** grow with the celebration of family –generation to generation. Let it flourish with honored life cycle events. Share your celebrations of life with Etz Chaim. Questions can be directed to the Tree of Life Coordinator, Rhoda Jacobs. Call the office: 732-251-1119.

Name of purchaser: _____ Phone number: _____

Each leaf costs \$136 and holds 4 lines of engraving. Wording is entirely up to the discretion of the purchaser, provided it will all fit on the leaf. Refer to leaves on the Tree of Life in our lobby for examples of wording for different occasions.

MEMORIAL PLAQUE ORDER FORM

Name of Purchaser: _____

Phone Number: _____e-mail:_____

Please provide the following information (print clearly)

Full English Name: _____

Full Hebrew Name (including parents, if known) _____

Date of Death (include time, if known) _____

Plaque cost \$180. Payment must accompany this order form. Make checks payable to Etz Chaim MTJC. Delivery should take 4-6 weeks. Questions: Call Jody Grant via the office: 732-251-1119. Write “Memorial Plaque” in the subject heading of check.

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SUBMISSIONS TO ETZ CHAIM ROOTS

All submissions and correspondence for Etz Chaim Roots should be sent to:

rhoda-jacobs@comcast.net. Please send MS-Word files (.doc/.docx). No special fonts or graphics in the text file will be guaranteed. All submissions will be acknowledged via e-mail.

Graphics and photos should be submitted separately, rather than inside other files or documents. All images and graphics should be saved as a JPEG and converted to grayscale. All images submitted for scanning must be photo or photo quality images.

All forms & flyers are subject to editing and need to be in to the editors by the 15th of the month.

Submission about congregation events, group activities, and other material relevant to the Jewish community are welcome. All is subject to available space and editorial constraints. Comments and suggestions are welcome too.

The deadline for submission to the monthly issue of Etz Chaim Roots is the 15th of the prior month. "Roots" is published monthly except for the double July/August issue.

Advertising/Publicity Manager**Position Available**

Volunteer sought for marketing, tracking and managing advertising for Etz Chaim Roots.

Training provided. Attention to detail and some basic knowledge of excel helpful.

ADVERTISING IN ETZ CHAIM ROOTS

Size	Annual Contract	Single Issue	Each issue of Etz Chaim Roots reaches over 170 homes. Roots is published 11x/yr, monthly except for July (double July/August issue). 2023 Advertising Rates
Full page	\$250	\$35	
Half page	\$200	\$30	
1/4 page	\$150	\$25	
Business Card	\$120	\$20	

PLEASE NOTE: Office hours

Monday: closed

Tuesday: 10 am—2 pm

Wednesday: 10 am—2 pm

Thursday: 10 am—2 pm

Friday: 10 am—2 pm

Call the office before you come in

March, 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Simchat Shabbat Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30 PM	2 Simchat Shabbat Torah Study 10:00 Shabbat Worship 10:30 Interfaith Tea 12:00
3	4	5	6 Talking with the Rabbi 11:00 am Hebrew School 4:30 pm Board of Trustees meeting 6:45 pm	7 Book Club 2:00 pm Gesher 5:30pm	8 Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30 PM	9 Student Shabbat Torah Study 10:00 Shabbat Worship 10:30
10	11	12 Sisterhood meeting 7:30 pm	13 Talking with the Rabbi 11:00 am Hebrew School 4:30 pm	14 Gesher 5:30pm	15 Class Led Service Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30 PM	16 Torah Study 10:00 Shabbat Worship 10:30
17	18	19 Social Action meeting 1:00 pm	20 Talking with the Rabbi 11:00 am Hebrew School 4:30 pm	21 Gesher 5:30pm	22 Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30 PM	23 Torah Study 10:00 Shabbat Worship 10:30 Purim Café 6:30 pm
24	25	26	27 Talking with the Rabbi 11:00 am Hebrew School 4:30 pm	28 Gesher 5:30pm	29 Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30 PM	30 Torah Study 10:00 Shabbat Worship 10:30
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Candle lighting times are determined for Monroe Township, New Jersey area.

Friday, March 1, 2024 5:32 pm

Friday, March 8, 2024 5:40 pm

Friday, March 15, 2024 6:47 pm

Friday, March 22, 2024 6:55 pm

Friday, March 29, 2024 7:02 pm