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**NEWSLETTER**

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## REMEMBERING LOIS HAUSELMAN: A TRUE BUILDER OF THE ANSHE EMET FAMILY

In our congregation we like to refer to ourselves as the Anshe Emet Family. The term speaks to what we aspire to as a community. That is, a synagogue where people stand together in prayer, in celebration and mourning. A place where the rhythms of the Jewish year resonate, and where everyone is welcomed as part of a warm, diverse Jewish family. If we have succeeded in becoming that type of community then Lois Hauselman not only helped to create such an environment but could have well been the matriarch of the Anshe Emet household.



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*Lois Hauselman*

Lois was many things. First and foremost, a wife to Marty, and a proud mother to Jamie, Julie and Nick. She was also a beloved grandmother, Lolo, to Sophie, Moses, Noa and Orli. Lois had an artistic soul, she was an extraordinary painter, poet and writer. During her years, she was a copywriter and the editor of a well-regarded literary journal: "Other Voices." She was also a devoted tennis player.

The synagogue loomed large for Lois. She loved coming here on Shabbat morning, and would greet everyone. The ultimate Shul Mensch, Lois met everyone with that warm smile and

genuine concern. She possessed a wonderful sense of humor and had that special ability to put anyone at ease. Lois was also a doer. She was a long-time board member, serving on a variety of committees including the one that interviewed me in 1982! Lois was the first woman to serve as our synagogue's president and set a kinder, gentler tone for the Anshe Emet family that we continue to enjoy today.

I am including an excerpt of my eulogy for Lois. As the funeral took place the day after Thanksgiving, I framed my words around

gratitude.

*Gratitude only begins to capture this congregation's feeling for Lois Hauselman. She was utterly committed to the best in this community and had no patience for synagogue politics. Lois was our first woman President. A fitting honor for a woman who was a true feminist from the earliest days. A fitting honor for a woman who embodied the warmth, the openness, and the love of all things Jewish that we strive to embody in our congregation. She loved this community, school and synagogue alike. Julie, Jamie and Nick attended the school. Marty headed the school board, Lois the Synagogue. Few families have given more to this community than the Hauselmans, and we are in their debt.*

*Her spirit moved us, but it was her words that touched our souls. Our tradition is to have the synagogue president speak. I had the privilege of sitting behind Lois when she gave these addresses and could watch the congregation's reaction. Because these speeches have a fund raising goal I have long observed the community lean back as the President begins to speak. Not so with Lois. Her warmth and humor disarmed the congregation, her love of the synagogue touched our hearts. As a result, people would lean forward, smiling as she spoke, nodding their head. Lois embodied the sense of warmth a love of Yiddishkeit. Most of all, Lois imparted a sense to everyone there that you were home, replete with a mother's love.*

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# CELEBRATIONS/EVENTS

## The 17th Annual Dr. Arnold H. Kaplan Concert: "Ancient Sounds, Jazzed!" on Sunday, November 18



### Men's Club Outing to BATL AXE THROWING on October 24.

Look for details on page 13.



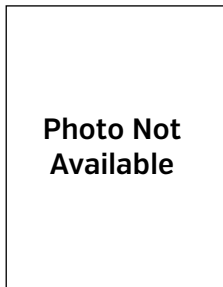
## MAZEL TOV TO OUR B'NAI MITZVAH



**Ruby Golding**  
December 1, 2018  
Daughter of Leila and Brian Golding



**Estie Katz**  
December 1, 2018  
Daughter of Katy and Jeff Katz



**Zoe Levitt**  
December 8, 2018  
Daughter of Julie and Ron Levitt



**Sydney Gilbert**  
December 15, 2018  
Daughter of Jennifer and Lance Gilbert



**Ari Latimer**  
December 27, 2018  
Son of Julie Lasin and Cary Latimer



## OUR SAFETY AND SECURITY

It's been a terrible month for the Jewish community of Pittsburgh and for Jews throughout the world who have shared in their mourning. How eerie and tragic to be sitting on the bimah last month when our Security Supervisor whispered the tragic news to us, along with the assurance that Security was on heightened alert and the Chicago Police Department was very visibly patrolling the streets around our synagogue.

Fortunately, many in our community are too young to remember a time when anti-Semitism was much more obviously present in America. My father attended the University of Louisville Medical School because he knew that in those days they accepted exactly ten Jews a year, so he positioned himself to be one of them. I am old enough to remember country clubs and Miami Beach hotels that were not open to Jews. When I started my human resources career at a major oil company based in Chicago in 1980, you could count the number of Jews in our worldwide company on your hands and toes.

America has encountered spasms of bigotry and anti-Semitism at several different points in our history. Each time, Americans have ultimately come together to reject this dark side of our national story. I have every confidence that will happen again.

Nevertheless, we take security very seriously and invest a great deal of time, energy and money to keep our facility safe. Working hand-in-hand with our valued partners at Bernard Zell Anshe Emet Day School, we continually review best practices with nationally recognized consultants as well as Homeland Security, the Chicago Police Department, and Federation representatives at the local and national level.

Security concerns should never stop you from attending

services or events at Anshe Emet. On any given Shabbat, we have security personnel at every entrance and in strategic positions within and outside the building. Every one of them is an off-duty Chicago Police Department officer, and they are all armed.

At the same time, our priority is to be as open and welcoming as possible. We understand that sometimes our security procedures can get in the way of that goal. We're doing our best to balance these competing demands with forethought and planning, and beg for your understanding if you are inconvenienced by security procedures or personnel.

My grandfather went through life completely convinced that something good came out of every bad event. And so it was, on the very next Shabbat after the Tree of Life massacre, I sat on the bimah in front of 800 or more people who had turned out to repudiate those who would hate us and to honor those who lost their lives in 21st Century America to anti-Semitism. What a remarkable congregation we have! It is truly an honor to serve as your president.

See you in shul,



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### RABBI SIEGEL ... FROM PAGE 1

Here is a portion of Lois' first speech to the congregation:

*I am very proud. I am standing here because I believe in Rabbi Siegel and I believe in you and that together we can make a difference in each other's lives through Anshe Emet... I stand before you strengthened by you. By all the women here who have been of use long before I even understood what that meant ... and among you I see my mother doing a little dance in her seat as she sits ... kvelling, pointing out in a whisper that the entire shul can hear "That is my daughter, she's going to be president."*

Lois, today it is our entire community that is *kvelling* for having had you as our President, having benefitted from your wisdom, your love and your presence, as the matriarch of the Anshe Emet Family.

*Zecher Zadeket L'vracha: May Lois' memory always be a blessing!*

### Follow Rabbi Siegel on Facebook!



Want to know what the clergy is up to? Now you can follow Rabbi Siegel on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/Rabbi.Michael.Siegel>



**Michael S. Siegel, Senior Rabbi**  
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## DECEMBER BLOOD DRIVE

In a fascinating discussion, our rabbis review the horrific moment when Cain murders Abel. Following Cain's flippant rhetorical question to God, "Am I my brother's keeper?", God responds by saying, "What have you done? *Kol demei achicha* – the bloods of your brother cries out to Me from the ground."

*[Genesis 4:10]*. Our rabbis notice – the Hebrew uses the word *demei*, bloods. The more common phrase is *dam*, blood. The Hebrew word for blood, like in English, does not require the "s" suffix in order to be pluralized. So why does the Torah notably add an "s" to make the word plural, when it is both out of the ordinary and unnecessary?

Our rabbis respond – the "s" is added to identify that not only was Abel's blood crying out towards God, but also, the blood of all of his descendants.

Abel, the second person on earth, 50% of the population, was destroyed. And because of that, our world is half of what it could be today.

Our rabbis use this teaching to say that any person who can

save a life, it is as if that person saved the entire world. Each life is infinitely valuable. Each life is precious, for ourselves, and for our families.

In that spirit, we at Anshe Emet are hosting our third blood drive in a year, on Thursday, December 6th, from 5:00-9:00 p.m., during our annual Hanukkah Lights and Latkes synagogue-wide party. If you are able, please register using the information below.

At the same time, we recognize the pain caused to many congregants due to the continued ban on blood donations by gay men. As you consider engaging in the mitzvah of donating blood, please honor those in our community who are not currently allowed to perform this mitzvah.

One donation of blood can save up to three lives – if you can donate, we appreciate your ability to help us make this holiday season for so many be filled with more life, and more light.

<http://www.lifesource.org/donate-blood/where-to-donate/>

Search for Group Code K201 on Thursday, December 6th [be sure to pick the right date].

## Menschen of the Month

Our **Menschen of the Month** are the Family Mitzvah Day Team Captains who led teams of 12-50 people: coordinating communication with the team, insuring there was photographic evidence of every experience, and facilitating a debrief conversation with families at the end of the volunteering activity. Thank you so very much for your meaningful work on this special project!

Julie Schulhof – Cradles to Crayons

Becca Tatel – Lakeview Pantry

Jodi Rosen – Lincoln Park Community Shelter

Steve Schwartz-Fenwick and Debbie Koller – Brookdale Senior Living

Amy Liszt – Refugee One

Suzan Sultan – The Ark

Debbie Merovitz – Share Our Spare

Ben Goldhirsch – Anti-Cruelty Society

Laura April – New Life for Old Bags

and Benita Cohen, who provided extraordinary and essential help with New Life for Old Bags.

**And to our Mensch of the Month:**

Marsha Nagorsky, for expertly and lovingly repairing all of the stuffed Sifrei Torah as they become well loved by the children celebrating Shabbat in Shalom Shabbat.

## YAD NOTES

*Anshe Emet's Young Adult Division (YAD) provides young Jewish adults with opportunities to meet, pray, play, learn and give back in a community setting. If you are in your 20s or 30s, coupled or single, consider being part of our community.*



YOUNG  
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### NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

**First Friday Shabbat Services and Dinner featuring Ugly Hanukkah Sweater Contest, Latkes and More!** Friday, December 7, 7:15 p.m. Services, followed by Dinner

Questions about YAD events? Contact Sam Isenstein at [sisenstein@ansheemet.org](mailto:sisenstein@ansheemet.org). Interested in joining YAD? Contact Amy Karp at [akarp@ansheemet.org](mailto:akarp@ansheemet.org).

## Camp Scholarship Information

**The Joseph and Ruth Tumpeer Scholarship Fund** encourages Jewish summer experiences for youth by offsetting a portion of the cost of Jewish summer camp attendance. The scholarship is need-based.

Look for the application at <https://www.ansheemet.org/ScholarshipApplication>. Direct questions to Naomi Richman at 773-868-5122; [nrichman@ansheemet.org](mailto:nrichman@ansheemet.org). All submissions due by February 4, 2019.

**TORAH READING HONOR ROLL**

We would like to thank the following congregants who have honored us by chanting Torah for our community during the month of October (this does not include our Bar/Bat Mitzvah students).

Sanctuary and Minyan: David Alperin, Keith Alperin, David Bardach, Lauren Benoist, Ellie Choslovsky, Sophie DeKoven, Steve Durchslag, Art Friedson, Rabbi Michael Gilboa, Michael Goodgold, Sarah Hirsens, Barbara Kantrow, Dan Karp, Ben Kleinman, Jay Lewkowitz, Jane Lippow, Carol Mackoff, Alan Mintz, Joe Platt, Gary Porton, Rebecca Russo, Sholom Sandalow, Lynne Schatz, Emily Schoerning, David Schwartz, Gabriel Shapps, Ari Silver, Yedida Soloff.

Rose Crown Minyan: Marc Luban, Ann Luban, Ari Handelman, Yedida Soloff, Brian Nagorsky, Barry Wimpfheimer, Yehoshua Ben-Avraham, Matt Blustone, Sam Taxy, Miranda Green, Jacob Cytryn, Noah Liebman, Ariel Katz, Marc Hersch, Robin Mordfin, Rebeka Jonhston, Ronit Avitan, Marc Alexander, Candace Mittel, David Kaplinsky.

Youth Readers: Anna Cirillo, Vera Cirillo, Alexander Dickman, Nava Fleischer, Jocelyn Friedman, Gus Griffin, Maya Lessem-Elnecave, Laila Norton, Zack Pogrund-Choplin, Lev Pogrund-Choplin, Eli Puchtel, Mira Puchtel, Mira Puchtel, Anax Schoerning, Nava Schwarz, Dalia Schwarz, Perla Seidner, Talia Seidner, Daphna Teshler, Blake Weisman, Damian Solano, Blake Talisse, Eli Solano.

Usher-Floor Gabbai: Benita Cohen, Michael Bellows, Jay Goodgold, Gary Wigoda, Marla Gordon

Simchat Torah READiculous Readers: Adam Aranyi, Alicia Aranyi, Ezra Bader, Samantha Berlin, Bina Brill, Anna Cirillo, Emma Dubner, Nate Dubner, Nava Fleischer, Adin Gillers, Elana Goldwin, Aiva Herzsage, Liv Herzsage, Ayelet Lazar, Ethan Leder, Juliette Leder, Shira Lerner, Maya Lessem-Elnecave, Benjamin Matsa, Jack Merovitz, Sam Nagorsky, Alexander Nessel, Laila Norton, Eli Puchtel, Iris Rau, Owen Rich, Caleb Rich, Olivia Rubenstein, Rosie Rubin, Orli Schwartz, Nava Schwarz, Perla Seidner, Talia Seidner, Damian Solano, Nava Stein, Daphna Teshler, David Weiss, Noah Weiss, Eli Wener, Sadie Wener, Joe Wieder.

**THANKS TO THESE PEOPLE FOR HONORING THEIR MINYAN COMMITMENT**

The morning minyan meets Monday through Friday at 7:00 a.m.; Sundays and national holidays (Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Years, Memorial Day, etc.), at 8:30 a.m. We need your participation to ensure the vitality of this project. We thank these people for honoring their commitment to our morning minyan program during October:

Ben Abrams; Fran Abramson; Sella Alperin; David Alperin; Keith Alperin; Laura, Jonathan, Gabriel April; Chuck & Sara Aron; Chuck & Sara Aron; Elizabeth Atwater; Barry Balik; David Bardach; Hannah Barg; Jay Becker; Eve Becker; Terry Behrman; Rickey Briskman; Brian & Irene Caminer; Lorie Chaiten; Bill, Wendy, Aiden Choslovsky; Stuart & Evan Cohen; Sarah Davelaar; Steve Durchslag; Arthur Elstein; Terry Fadern; Beth Farber; Phyllis Gelles; Michael Gilboa; Dan & Gail Golden; Miriam Golden; Paula Golden; Marlee Gotlieb; Sophie Gotlieb; Sarah Gotlieb; Barbi Green; Tali Griffin; Tali Griffin; Jay Hausler; Lauren Henderson; Sarah Hirsens; Harold Hirshman; Dalia Hoffman; Arnie Horwich; Judy Horwich; Joy Horwich; Eli Kamins ; Bruce Kaminsky; Jonathan Karsch; Sam Kline; Debby Lewis; Jay Lewkowitz; Herb Lippitz; Jane Lippow; Liz Lippow; Llz Lippow; Carol Mackoff; Alan Mintz; Marsha Nagorsky; Laura Neiman Rifkin; Francisco Ortiz-Perez; Shelly Parker; Gary & Fraeda Porton; John Ragir; Esther Rosenbloom; Jason, Michelle, Mira Rosenblum; Ed Salomon; Jerry Salzman; Neil Schwartz; Barry Seeskin; Elaine Seeskin; Ken Shapiro; Julie Ann Sklaver; Elias, Eli, & Damian Solano; Jason Star; Jason Star; Marta Steele; Rob Stepen; Phil Stern; Dena & Kate Sweitzer; Gabor Tarjan; Maya Tkachak; Maya Tkachak; Abe Trieger; Helen Ullman; David Weil; Bob Weisman; Selma Wise Burley; Shirley Wise-Szopo; Stew Witkov.

# Shabbat As You Are

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March 31, 2019  
4:00 pm

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VISIONARIES OF ANSHE EMET

Hanukkah is here again. **The first candle is lit at nightfall on Sunday, December 2** - beginning the 25th day of the Hebrew month of Kislev.

#### Things to remember:

1. Load the hanukkiyah from the right; light the candles from the left.
2. Place your hanukkiyah/menorah in the window nearest the street so that all can see.
3. Candle holders in traditional hanukiot are all on the same level, with a higher or separate shamash.
4. On Shabbat Hanukkah, light the Hanukkah candles **before** you light the Shabbat candles.
5. Light your candles after nightfall but early enough so that people can see them.

Hanukkah is a wonderful holiday filled with important lessons. From Hanukkah we learn about heroism and about the right to be different, about faith and about miracles. The following candle by candle guide may help you consider some of these important issues. As you light candles each night, ask yourself the following questions:

**First night:** Do I know any modern day Macabees?

**Second Night:** What does it mean to be part of a people? As a Jew, what special responsibilities do I have?

**Third night:** Have I "proclaimed the miracle" by helping someone understand the true meaning of this holiday?

**Fourth night:** Have I witnessed any miracles in my own lifetime?

**Fifth night:** Have I given Tzedakah today?

**Sixth night:** Have I done anything today to improve the world?

**Seventh night:** Have I brought happiness into someone's life today?

**Eighth night:** What questions will I ask myself as I light the candles next year?

#### Hanukkah's most commonly asked questions

**Q. What particular event in Jewish history does Hanukkah commemorate?**

A. The Syrians, ruled by King Antiochus, wanted the Jews to give up their way of life—to stop studying Torah, to stop observing Shabbat and to start bowing down to idols. The Jewish people rose in revolt, led by Mattathias and his sons, the Maccabees, of whom Judah was the most famous. The struggle culminated in a great victory for the Jewish people, which ended in the recapture and rededication of the Temple in Jerusalem. Hanukkah is the celebration of that struggle for religious liberty in 165 C.E.

**Q. What does "Hanukkah" literally mean?**

A. "Hanukkah" is the Hebrew word for "dedication." When the Jews defeated the Syrians, their first act was to cleanse the Temple in Jerusalem and remove the various pagan symbols and idols from it. They then held a ceremony dedicating the Temple once again to God. The holiday derives its name from the ceremony.

**Q. Why is Hanukkah celebrated for eight days?**

A. According to tradition, when the Jews entered the Temple to cleanse it, they found a flask of oil which had not been contaminated and which still carried the unbroken seal of the High Priest. As part of the dedication ceremony, they lit the oil, believing there was only enough to last one day. But miraculously, the oil burned for eight days. Hence Hanukkah is celebrated for eight days.



#### A Hanukkah Glossary

**DREIDEL**—A four-sided top used on Hanukkah. Each side has a different Hebrew letter—nun, gimel, hey and shin. This stands for "Nes Gadol Ha-ya Sham." [A great miracle happened there.]

**LATKE**—Potato pancake—traditional Hanukkah delicacy.

**SUFGANIYAH**—A jelly-filled doughnut—another traditional Hanukkah delicacy.

**SHAMASH**—Helper candle, used to light all the other candles.

**MENORAH/HANUKKIAH**—Hanukkah candle holder which contains places for nine

candles – eight candles and a ninth candle, the shamash, is raised above the others. Each of the eight candles represents one of the eight days of Hanukkah.

#### The Brachot

The first two brachot [blessings] are said every night when lighting the candles:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ  
הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו  
וַיְצַונוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל חֲנֻכָּה.

Bah-ruch At-tah A-do-nai Elo-hay-noo Me-lech Ha-o-lam A-sheh Kidshanoo B'mits'votav V-tsi-vah-noo L'had-lik Nare Shel Hanukkah.

"Praised be Thou, O Lord our God, Ruler of the world, Who has sanctified us to kindle the Hanukkah lights."

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ  
הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ  
בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם בְּזֶמַן הַזֶּה.

Bah-ruch At-tah A-do-nai Elo-hay-noo Me-lech Ha-o-lam She-a-sa Nis-seem La'ah-vo-tay-noo Ba-yah-meem Ha-hem Baz-man Ha-zeh.

"Praised be Thou, O Lord our God, Ruler of the world, Sovereign of the Universe, Who performed miracles for our ancestors at this season in ancient days."

On the first night recite the following blessing after the other blessings:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ,  
מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁהַחֲנִיּוֹ וְקִיְּמָנוּ  
וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לְזֶמַן הַזֶּה.

Bah-ruch At-tah A-do-nai Elo-hay-noo Me-lech Ha-o-lam She-he-che-ya-noo V'ki-y'-mah-noo V-he-gi-a-noo Laz-man Ha-zeh.

"Praised be Thou, O Lord our God, Ruler of the world, Who sustained us and enabled us to reach this day."



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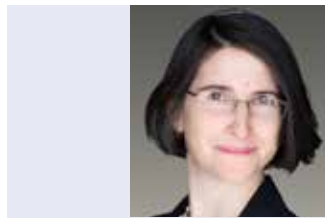


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Has the cold weather convinced you to stay inside? Don't let that stop you from learning. The Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies has many online resources for free at <https://www.aju.edu/ziegler-school-rabbinic-studies/our-torah>. The Jewish Theological Seminary also has a large library of online learning options at <http://www.jtsa.edu/community-learning>. Grab a warm mug, pull a blanket over your legs, and learn from the comfort of your own home.

Look for a class created just for the Anshe Emet community with Professor Benjamin Sommer, via Zoom from JTS, in preparation for Pesach in the spring.

Happy Learning!



**CANTOR  
ELIZABETH BERKE**

Hazzan Sheni  
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## HaZaK PROGRAM FOR RETIRED ADULTS

**HOKHMAH (WISDOM) • ZIKNAH (MATURITY)  
• KADIMAH (LOOKING AHEAD) •**

HaZaK is an Anshe Emet daytime program for mature adults with active minds. Beginning October 8, HaZaK is focusing on Jewish History with the Melton curriculum "Crossroads." *Generously funded by Beatrice Mayer, z"l.*

HaZaK meets at Anshe Emet Synagogue every Monday, from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Here's a look at the upcoming schedule:

**December 3: Cantor Elizabeth Berke**

**December 10: Hanukkah event with CJE senior life** - Hazzan Alberto Mizrahi, Cantor Liz Berke, Christie Chiles Twillie and members of Shireinu

**December 17: View the interview with Neal Gabler**, author of *Barbara Streisand: Redefining Beauty, Femininity and Power*

**December 24: No HaZaK, building closed**

**December 31: TBD**

## GIVING AND RECEIVING IN DECEMBER

**Dear Friends,**

This month, we are celebrating Hanukkah and transitioning to a new values theme, "Tikkun Olam". On December 2nd, our school will celebrate Hanukkah together, with fun programming for families. Our older students will also celebrate Hanukkah with their classmates on December 6th. The following week, some of our school programming will focus on helping other people celebrate the holidays, as we work together to help make the world a kinder place.

Our religious school is partnering with the Na'aseh Committee to help serve the needs of homeless and at-risk youth through their work with the Night Ministry. The Night Ministry has their annual holiday party December 13th. We will be helping to make the holidays special for other young people by making cards and crafts, decorating and wrapping gifts, and asking families to consider donating small presents to this cause through the religious school. We are looking for things like new warm gloves, hats, socks, nail polish, costume jewelry, or other small gifts that will brighten someone's holiday. No need to send the gifts to school wrapped- packaging the gifts will be part of the learning experience, especially for our youngest students.

We are hard at work to improve not only our school's service learning, but our academic quality. In November, we completed our first ever school-wide Hebrew assessment for students in 1st-8th grade. We will be using this quantitative information to help gauge our progress and plan future changes as we begin to use new learning techniques in our school.

If you have questions or feedback, please get in touch with me at [eschoerning@ansheemet.org](mailto:eschoerning@ansheemet.org).

**KEY DECEMBER DATES:**

December 2 & 6: Hanukkah Programs

December 9 & 13: Collecting Donations for Night Ministry

December 23, 27, & 30: Religious School on Winter Break



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## ANSHE EMET YOUNG FAMILIES DECEMBER HAPPENINGS



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At Anshe Emet, we are building pathways to Jewish life and community for families with young children. Whether you are expecting the birth or adoption of your first child, or your kids are approaching middle school, we welcome you into our vibrant community of young families. Find your friends and joy-filled Jewish life at Anshe Emet!

### SHALOM SHABBAT/SHACHAR Shalom Shabbat, the well-loved

service for children 4 and under and their parents, meets every Shabbat of the month at 10:00 a.m. **Shachar**, for children aged K to 2nd grade, meets every Shabbat at 11:00 a.m. If your child is interested in reading a Torah excerpt in Hebrew or English at the Shachar service, please contact Max Handelman at mhandelman@ansheemet.org.

### COME TO LIGHT & LATKES INSTEAD OF FIRST FRIDAY IN DECEMBER!

**Thursday, December 6**, Join Us for Our 4th Annual Light & Latkes Celebration PAJAMA EDITION! Doors open for Families with children 5 and under at 5:45 p.m.

Featuring four chefs participating in our annual cook-off. Come dressed in your favorite comfy pajamas and enjoy Latke Competition, Cookie Decorating and Arts & Crafts for the Kids,

Music, Expanded baked potato bar & more great food! Register your family at [TINYURL.COM/AESLIGHTANDLATKES2018](http://TINYURL.COM/AESLIGHTANDLATKES2018).

There will be NO first Friday Family Shabbat service and dinner the following night. Consider inviting another family to join you for Shabbat dinner on December 7. If you'd like a suggestion of a great family to invite, just drop me a note [mhandelman@ansheemet.org](mailto:mhandelman@ansheemet.org) First Friday Family Service and Dinner returns February 1, 2019 with special stories for Jewish Disability Awareness and Inclusion Month!

### LITTLE BUILDERS - SPRING 2019

Be a part of the amazing community we BUILD at Anshe Emet! Families with 2-3 year olds dive into Jewish experiences, connect with new friends and craft joyful memories. Each 6 week session includes one home-hosted class, giving families deeper opportunities to play. All classes are 9:15-10:45 a.m. Spring dates are January 27, February 3, 10, 24, March 3, 10, 2019. Register at [tinyurl.com/littlebuildersspring2019](http://tinyurl.com/littlebuildersspring2019).

Questions? contact Maxine Handelman, [mhandelman@ansheemet.org](mailto:mhandelman@ansheemet.org), 773-868-5121.

### DON'T MISS ANYTHING!

Join our list serv by e-mailing [AEYF-subscribe@yahoo.com](mailto:AEYF-subscribe@yahoo.com) to get the latest word on what's happening for your family.

Join our Facebook group, so you can stay in the loop on all the events happening (and who knows what else) <https://www.facebook.com/groups/AESYF/>

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ANSHE EMET YOUTH?



**SAMANTHA ISENSTEIN**

Youth and Young Adult Director  
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### SHACHAR/MACHAR

- Pre-Winter break program Sunday, December 16 from 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.
- Machar Only Dinner and Games, Thursday, December 13 from 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

### KADIMA

Kadima Dinner and Zoo Lights! Thursday, December 13 from 6:15 - 7:45 p.m., pick up at Lincoln Park Zoo

### USY

- Hanukkah Lounge Night, Tuesday, December 4, 7:00 p.m.
- Ice Skating at Lincoln Park, Tuesday, December 18, 6:30 p.m. Meet at the Ice Rink! BYOS-Bring Your Own Skates, if not we will rent them for you!

Discover the Anshe Emet  
channel on YouTube

You'll find learning resources, Divrei Torah, the Kaplan concert, Talent Show, and more.

Search for channel name: Anshe Emet at  
[YouTube.com](http://YouTube.com)

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MAY 3 - 5  
2019

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• LEARN AND RELAX WITH CLERGY •  
WORSHIP IN THE WOODS • MAKE NEW  
CONNECTIONS • BONFIRE & S'MORES •  
BOOK CLUB • CREATE NEW MEMORIES  
WITH OLD FRIENDS

# December 2018

**Sunday**                      **Monday**                      **Tuesday**                      **Wednesday**



for all the days of your life

We are always adding new events. For the most recent calendar listings, please visit [www.ansheet.org/calendar](http://www.ansheet.org/calendar)

Babysitting for children 18 months and older is available in room 104 every Shabbat morning from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. as a free service of Anshe Emet Synagogue.

<p>24 KISLEV <span style="float: right;"><b>2</b></span></p> <p><b>First Night of Hanukkah</b>  <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>9:00 a.m.</b> Religious School  <b>9:15 a.m.</b> Little Builders  <b>11:30 a.m.</b> Religious School                      Hanukkah Party</p>	<p>25 KISLEV <span style="float: right;"><b>3</b></span></p> <p><b>Hanukkah - Day 1</b>  <b>6:50 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>1:00 p.m.</b> HaZak  <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Hebrew 1.0  <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Daniel Basketball  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Mah Jongg  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Jewish Ethics with Rabbi Siegel  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Heritage</p>	<p>26 KISLEV <span style="float: right;"><b>4</b></span></p> <p><b>Hanukkah - Day 2</b>  <b>6:50 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>7:45 a.m.</b> Text on Tuesdays  <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Men's Club presents Brian Portnoy: "The Geometry of Wealth"  <b>6:45 p.m.</b> AES Basketball  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Geshher Program in memory of Linda J. Karno</p>	<p>27 KISLEV <span style="float: right;"><b>5</b></span></p> <p><b>Hanukkah - Day 3</b>  <b>6:50 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan</p>
<p>1 TEVET <span style="float: right;"><b>9</b></span></p> <p><b>Hanukkah - Day 7</b>  <b>Rosh Chodesh Tevet</b>  <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>9:00 a.m.</b> Religious School  <b>9:15 a.m.</b> Little Builders</p>	<p>2 TEVET <span style="float: right;"><b>10</b></span></p> <p><b>Hanukkah - Day 8</b>  <b>6:50 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>1:00 p.m.</b> HaZak: CJE Hanukkah Sing-A-Long  <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Hebrew 1.0  <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Sisterhood Latkepalooza  <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Daniel Basketball  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Mah Jongg  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Heritage</p>	<p>3 TEVET <span style="float: right;"><b>11</b></span></p> <p><b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>7:45 a.m.</b> Text on Tuesdays  <b>6:45 p.m.</b> AES Basketball  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> SHMUSY Board Meeting  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Geshher Program in memory of Linda J. Karno</p>	<p>4 TEVET <span style="float: right;"><b>12</b></span></p> <p><b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan</p>
<p>8 TEVET <span style="float: right;"><b>16</b></span></p> <p><b>8:30 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>9:00 a.m.</b> Religious School  <b>9:15 a.m.</b> J2M  <b>9:15 a.m.</b> Little Builders  <b>12:00 p.m.</b> Shachar Pre-Winter Break Program</p>	<p>9 TEVET <span style="float: right;"><b>17</b></span></p> <p><b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>1:00 p.m.</b> HaZak  <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Hebrew 1.0  <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Daniel Basketball  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Mah Jongg  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Heritage</p>	<p>10 TEVET <span style="float: right;"><b>18</b></span></p> <p><b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>7:45 a.m.</b> Text on Tuesdays  <b>6:45 p.m.</b> AES Basketball  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Geshher Program in memory of Linda J. Karno</p>	<p>11 TEVET <span style="float: right;"><b>19</b></span></p> <p><b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan</p>
<p>15 TEVET <span style="float: right;"><b>23</b></span></p> <p><b>8:30 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>No Religious School</b></p>	<p>16 TEVET <span style="float: right;"><b>24</b></span></p> <p><b>Synagogue Office Closed</b>  <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan</p>	<p>17 TEVET <span style="float: right;"><b>25</b></span></p> <p><b>Synagogue Office Closed</b>  <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan</p>	<p>18 TEVET <span style="float: right;"><b>26</b></span></p> <p><b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan</p>
<p>22 TEVET <span style="float: right;"><b>30</b></span></p> <p><b>8:30 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>No Religious School</b></p>	<p>23 TEVET <span style="float: right;"><b>31</b></span></p> <p><b>8:30 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>1:00 p.m.</b> HaZak</p>		

## KISLEV-TEVET 5779

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
		<p>23 KISLEV</p> <p><b>9:00 a.m.</b> JBC  <b>9:00 a.m.</b> Parashat Hashavuah  <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Ruby Golding becomes a Bat Mitzvah</i>  <i>Estie Katz becomes a Bat Mitzvah</i>  Torah: Genesis 37:1 - 40:23  [Vayeshev]  Haftarah: Amos 2:6 - 3:8  <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Rose Crown Minyan</p> <p><b>9:45 a.m.</b> Ruach Class  <b>10:00 a.m.</b> Shalom Shabbat  <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Ruach/Jr. Cong.  <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Shachar  <b>12:00 p.m.</b> Kiddush  <b>1:15 p.m.</b> Shabbat Mincha</p>	1
<p>28 KISLEV</p> <p><b>Hanukkah - Day 4</b>  <b>6:50 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>8:00 a.m.</b> Post Minyan Learning  <b>4:00 p.m.</b> Religious School  <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Light and Latkes  <b>6:45 p.m.</b> Sisterhood Book Club  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Shireinu  <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Al Anon</p>	<p>29 KISLEV</p> <p><b>Hanukkah - Day 5</b>  <b>6:50 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>8:45 a.m.</b> Lerner's of Torah w/Rabbi Siegel  <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Shabbat Evening Service  <b>7:15 p.m.</b> YAD Service, followed by Dinner</p> <p>🕒 4:01 p.m.</p>	<p>30 KISLEV</p> <p><b>Hanukkah - Day 6</b>  <b>Rosh Chodesh Tevet</b>  <b>9:00 a.m.</b> Parashat Hashavuah  <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Zoë Mara Levitt becomes a Bat Mitzvah</i>  Torah: Genesis 41:1 - 44:17 [Miketz];  Numbers 28:9-15; Numbers 7:42-47  Haftarah: Zechariah 2:14-4:7  <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Rose Crown Minyan</p> <p><b>9:45 a.m.</b> Ruach Class  <b>10:00 a.m.</b> Shalom Shabbat  <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Ruach/Jr. Cong.  <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Shachar  <b>12:00 p.m.</b> Kiddush  <b>1:00 p.m.</b> Sisterhood Stained Glass Windows Event  <b>1:15 p.m.</b> Shabbat Mincha</p>	8
<p>5 TEVET</p> <p><b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>8:00 a.m.</b> Post Minyan Learning  <b>4:00 p.m.</b> Religious School  <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Machar Dinner Program  <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Great Jewish Texts  <b>6:45 p.m.</b> AES Basketball  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Shireinu  <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Al Anon</p>	<p>6 TEVET</p> <p><b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>8:45 a.m.</b> Lerner's of Torah w/Rabbi Siegel  <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Lakeview Minyan, Service and Potluck  <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Shabbat Shelanu with Rachel Bronson  <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Shabbat As You Are</p> <p>🕒 4:01 p.m.</p>	<p>7 TEVET</p> <p><b>9:00 a.m.</b> JBC  <b>9:00 a.m.</b> Parashat Hashavuah  <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Sydney Gilbert becomes a Bat Mitzvah</i>  Torah: Genesis 44:18 - 47:27  [Vayigash]  Haftarah: Ezekiel 37:15 - 37:28  <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Rose Crown Minyan  <b>10:00 a.m.</b> Shalom Shabbat</p> <p><b>11:00 a.m.</b> Ruach/Jr. Cong.  <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Shachar  <b>12:00 p.m.</b> Kiddush  <b>1:00 p.m.</b> Jewish Philosophy  <b>1:00 p.m.</b> Shabbat is Awesome  <b>1:15 p.m.</b> Shabbat Mincha  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Something for Us Trivia Night</p>	15
<p>12 TEVET</p> <p><b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>8:00 a.m.</b> Post Minyan Learning  <b>4:00 p.m.</b> Religious School  <b>6:45 p.m.</b> AES Basketball  <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Shireinu  <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Al Anon</p>	<p>13 TEVET</p> <p><b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>8:45 a.m.</b> Lerner's of Torah w/Rabbi Siegel  <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Shabbat Evening Service</p> <p>🕒 4:04 p.m.</p>	<p>14 TEVET</p> <p><b>9:00 a.m.</b> Parashat Hashavuah  <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Shabbat Morning Service  Torah: Genesis 47:28 - 50:26  [Vayechi]  Haftarah: I Kings 2:1 - 2:12  <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Rose Crown Minyan</p> <p><b>9:45 a.m.</b> Ruach Class  <b>10:00 a.m.</b> Shalom Shabbat  <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Ruach/Jr. Cong.  <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Shachar  <b>12:00 p.m.</b> Kiddush  <b>1:15 p.m.</b> Shabbat Mincha</p>	22
<p>19 TEVET</p> <p><b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>8:00 a.m.</b> Post Minyan Learning  <b>6:45 p.m.</b> AES Basketball  <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Al Anon  <b>No Religious School</b></p>	<p>20 TEVET</p> <p><b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan  <b>8:45 a.m.</b> Lerner's of Torah w/Rabbi Siegel  <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Shabbat Evening Service</p> <p>🕒 4:09 p.m.</p>	<p>21 TEVET</p> <p><b>9:00 a.m.</b> Parashat Hashavuah  <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Shabbat Morning Service  Torah: Exodus 1:1 - 6:1 [Shemot]  Haftarah: Isaiah 27:6 - 28:13; 29:22 - 29:23  <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Rose Crown Minyan</p> <p><b>9:45 a.m.</b> Ruach Class  <b>10:00 a.m.</b> Shalom Shabbat  <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Ruach/Jr. Cong.  <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Shachar  <b>12:00 p.m.</b> Kiddush  <b>1:15 p.m.</b> Shabbat Mincha</p>	29



## ANSHE EMET SISTERHOOD



### FALL IS A BUSY TIME FOR THE ANSHE EMET SISTERHOOD!

The office of Presidency remains open. I will remain in office however we are actively looking for individuals (up to 3) to assume the role. No experience necessary! Please let me know if you are interested in more information.

**Marlene Reid Kosova, Anshe Emet Sisterhood President**

### COLLEGE CONNECTION SIGN UP

Anshe Emet wants to stay in touch with your loved ones away at school. Sign them up for the College Connection today and we'll send them Jewish holiday themed packages during the 2018-2019 school year. Email [aecollegeconnection@gmail.com](mailto:aecollegeconnection@gmail.com) with the following information:

Student's Name, School, Student's Email, Shipping address, Student's telephone, Dietary restrictions/allergies, Will be on campus during the Fall session: Yes or No, Will be on campus during the Spring session: Yes or No,

This program is sponsored by the Anshe Emet Sisterhood and is open to all synagogue families. Previous participants must register again to ensure we have current information.

### BOOK CLUB

The Anshe Emet Sisterhood book group always welcomes new members. If you are interested in giving us a try, contact Judy Metzger at [Hgmet1@aol.com](mailto:Hgmet1@aol.com)

The Bridge Sisterhood Book group is completing the fall session with a discussion of Andrew Sean Greer's novel, *Less* on December 6th. We have been meeting since 2002 with Rachel Jacobsohn, serving as our facilitator.

Anyone interested in joining us, one session's fee waived, can contact Judy Metzger, email [Hgmet1@aol.com](mailto:Hgmet1@aol.com).

We'll be resuming our discussions for our winter/spring 2019 season with the following three books.

#### Thursday, February 7, *The Counterlife* and *"The Conversion of the Jews,"* Philip Roth

*The Counterlife* is about people enacting their dreams of renewal and escape, some of them going so far as to risk their lives to alter seemingly irreversible destinies. Wherever they may find themselves, the characters of *The Counterlife* are tempted unceasingly by the prospect of an alternative existence that can reverse their fate.

*"The Conversion of the Jews"* is a young man's fantasy. Philip Roth wrote it by the age of 23, and it concerns Roth's youngest protagonist, Ozzie Freedman, age 12. The simple conflict in "The Conversion of the Jews" is developed in Roth's later, complex, fully-adult fiction, as his protagonists challenge the values of their oppressive communities.

#### Thursday, April 4, *Assymetry*, Lisa Halliday

In New York, Alice, a young editor, begins an affair with Ezra Blazer, a world-famous, much older writer. At Heathrow airport, Amar, an Iraqi-American economist en route to Kurdistan, finds himself detained for the weekend. What draws these characters together, and how do their lives connect?

#### Thursday, May 2, *In the Distance*, Hernan Diaz

A young Swedish immigrant finds himself penniless and alone in California. The boy travels East in search of his brother, moving on foot against the great current of emigrants pushing

### Sisterhood Book Discussion Group: Winter/Spring 2019

\_\_\_ I am a 2018-2019 Sisterhood member and plan to participate in the three sessions. I have enclosed a check made payable to Anshe Emet Sisterhood for \$75.

\_\_\_ I am not a member of the Sisterhood and plan to participate in the three sessions. I have enclosed a check made payable to Anshe Emet Sisterhood for \$95.

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Please bring this form and check made out to Anshe Emet Bridge Sisterhood to the first meeting, February 7, 2019.

West. Driven back again and again, he meets naturalists, criminals, religious fanatics, swindlers, Indians, and lawmen, and his exploits turn him into a legend. Diaz defies the conventions of historical fiction and genre, offering a probing look at the stereotypes that populate our past and a portrait of radical foreignness.

### NIGHT MINISTRY

We are in the midst of fundraising and gift gathering to provide holiday gifts to the Night Ministry's youth clients and to cover the cost of food for our monthly evenings with the Night Ministry. Please drop off in the bins at Anshe Emet Synagogue new hats, gloves, scarves, sweaters, and other small items for our annual Festival of Lights holiday party for the Night Ministry on December 13. Please mail or drop off cash donations to Sisterhood, Anshe Emet Synagogue, 3751 North Broadway, Chicago IL 60613. Checks should be made out to Anshe Emet Sisterhood with the notation Night Ministry. Questions? Contact Janine Landow-Esser, [Janine811@gmail.com](mailto:Janine811@gmail.com).

### GIFT SHOP

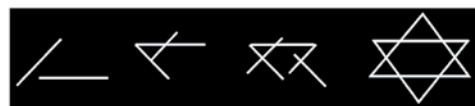
The Gift Shop is open Sundays, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., when Religious School is in session. The Gift Shop will be having a 25% off back to school sale.

Check for upcoming notices and events at [www.AnsheEmet.org](http://www.AnsheEmet.org); look for Sisterhood under Programs.

**Elizabeth Cline, Communications**

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## AWARD-WINNING MEN'S CLUB MENSCHEN/MENTION

As you know, our Men's Club **Steak and Shots in the Sukkah** event on September 26 was a huge success with 91 registered attendees. We will be announcing the donation amount soon for the charities selected by our 4 honorees—the Chicago Police Memorial Foundation and the Anshe Emet Synagogue Confidential Financial Assistance Fund. Thanks again to **Bob Balesh, Ron Tanaka, Fred McAllen, and Jesse Leader** for their dedicated service to our congregation and for participating to make this event so successful. We may need a larger sukkah next year to accommodate us. Make sure that you are there to share in the festivities again.

Our Men's Club outing to **BATL AXE THROWING** on West Irving Park on October 24 was a really fun evening. More importantly, everyone went home with all of the body parts they came with. The results of the "Final Four" axe throwing competition at the end of the evening were: **Gregg Pollack, 1st Place; Barry Balik, 2nd Place; Reuben Balik, 3rd Place; Shai Hoffman, 4th Place.** Several attendees thought we should have this as an annual Men's Club event. Look for some photos on page 2.

As I mentioned in our article last month, Men's Club Board members, **Gregg Pollack, Larry Kosova, and Jon Norton** attended the **Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs Leadership Development Institute** in Maryland on November 9 to 11. Look for some highlights from the conference in our article next month.

As Hanukkah fast approaches, are you wondering what to do with any extra Hanukkah gelt? Then don't miss **Brian Portnoy, PhD, Chartered Financial Analyst**, author, and congregant discuss his latest book, *"The Geometry of Wealth – How to shape a life of money and meaning."* Brian will share his views of making better decisions about how money contributes to building a joyful life and of distinguishing being rich and being wealthy. His presentation will be held on **Tuesday, December 4, at 6:30 p.m.** Details will soon be announced about how to register and purchase substantially discounted copies of his books.

Mark your calendars for the following two outstanding Men's Club events. **The Midwest Region Annual FJMC Man and Youth of the Year Awards Dinner will take place at Anshe Emet!** We hope you will join us on **March 3** to host our Midwest Region honorees and guests. On **July 3 to 7, FJMC will celebrate its 90th anniversary in Toronto at the International Biennial Convention.** Stay tuned as the details unfold for what should prove to be a most memorable event.

As always, I am writing this article in advance, and I am writing this article after attending three memorial services this week for the terrible tragedy that befell our Jewish brothers and sisters in Pittsburgh. On behalf of our Men's Club Board, we wish them and all of our Jewish brothers and sisters everywhere peace and safety as we approach our Hanukkah holiday. May we all move from the darkness of this catastrophe to the enduring light of Hanukkah and beyond.

**Barry Balik, Men's Club President**



Saturday, October 27 was a dark day in America and for Jews around the world. The gunman who murdered 11 congregants of the Tree of Life Congregation in Pittsburgh on that Shabbat morning announced that he was responding to Tree of Life's participation in HIAS' nationwide Refugee Shabbat, a program celebrating the Jewish welcoming approach to refugees and asylum seekers.

By terrible happenstance, Anshe Emet hosted the HIAS Chicago Jews for Refugees Assembly the very next day. Over 400 people came to learn about the current refugee crisis, how Jews respond to it, and what we can do to relieve the plight of refugees in the US and around the world. We were joined by speakers including Isabel Burton, HIAS Director of Community Engagement Programs; Melineh Kano, Executive Director of RefugeeOne; Congressman Mike Quigley; Clarisol Duque, Chief of Staff for Senator Dick Durbin; Suzanne Akhras Sahloul, President and Executive Director of the Syrian Community Network; Emma Yaaka, a recent refugee from Uganda; and of course, our own Rabbis Michael Siegel and David Russo.

We were also joined by 15 local and national organizations who support refugees and asylum seekers in the Chicago area, who were able to educate the community about their work, and provide opportunities to attendees to get involved in what they do. If you would like more information about these organizations and how you can support them, please contact Adam Engle at [naaseh.ansheet@gmail.com](mailto:naaseh.ansheet@gmail.com).

### LIGHT AND LATKES

Anshe Emet's annual Hanukkah celebration, Light and Latkes, is a wonderful time to eat latkes and jelly donuts, see friends, enjoy Hanukkah related crafts and activities, and participate in social action!

**Donate Blood:** We are working with the Red Cross to put on a blood drive at Light and Latkes. Sign up for a slot to donate blood on Thursday, December 6 between 4:30 and 9:00 p.m. at <https://donateblood.lifesource.org/>. Each pint of blood that is donated may be helping as many as three people.

1. Select an option and click either on Donor Login, Create Login or New Donor so new or unregistered donors can register and schedule their appointment.
2. Scroll down and enter your group code (K201) on Search by Group Code field and select date range up to December 6th, 2018\* (important)
3. Select Anshe Emet Synagogue - and select to schedule the appointment.

**Volunteer and Donate to the Night Ministry:** We are collecting donations towards purchasing 50 gift cards for the clients of the Night Ministry's youth outreach program to be distributed during the holiday season. We will also be running a mini-social action project at Light and Latkes and need volunteers to help make it a success. Please contact Janine Landow-Esser at [Janine.Landow-Esser@quarles.com](mailto:Janine.Landow-Esser@quarles.com) to learn where to make your donation or to sign up to volunteer.

**Has your address, phone number or e-mail changed?**

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## SOMETHING FOR US IN DECEMBER

The **Something for Us** group was created to experience the warmth of belonging to an extended family and to celebrate Jewish life within a large community. To enable parents whose children have grown and left home to share experiences with other adults in this same situation, and to enjoy this stage of life to the fullest! Something for Us provided the impetus for create a Shabbat experience as well, ergo, **Shabbat Shelanu** was born.

In December, both sides of the coin will be available to this group. The first side is Shabbat Shelanu on Friday December 14 as we host congregant, Rachel Bronson. Rachel Bronson is the president and CEO of the *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*. She oversees the publishing programs, management of the Doomsday Clock, and a growing set of activities around nuclear weapons, nuclear energy, climate change and emerging technologies. Before joining the Bulletin, she served for eight years at the Chicago Council on Global Affairs in a number of capacities including: vice president of studies, vice president of programs and studies, and senior fellow, global energy. She also taught "Global Energy" as an adjunct professor at the Kellogg School of Management.

On the flip of the coin, this group will have a social evening as Whatdoyouknow Trivia returns on December 15. It is a very popular program filled with fun and laughs. I hope to see you there!



**AMY KARP**

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*May their memory be for a blessing*

## Community Resources

Our community will be hosting two important programs in December.



**The Gift of Recovery: Hanukkah with the Jewish Center for Addiction** will be on Thursday, December 6 starting at 6:45 p.m. at the Rochelle Zell Jewish High School at 1095 Lake Cook Road in Deerfield. This will be an evening of light, appreciation and acceptance as our community celebrates Hanukkah together. We will illuminate this time of darkness by lighting the menorah together, hearing community members in recovery share the gifts they have received in their journey through sobriety, and learning together with a discussion of Jewish texts as they relate to Hanukkah and recovery. Register at <https://jcfs.formstack.com/forms/giftofrecovery>. For more information, please contact Victoria at [VictoriaAron@jcfs.org](mailto:VictoriaAron@jcfs.org) or at 847-745-5459.

**Suicide in the Jewish Community: Shining a Light in the Darkness** will be on Wednesday, December 12 starting at 7:00 p.m. at Beth Hillel B'nai Emunah Congregation at 3220 Big Tree Lane in Wilmette. Keynote speaker Michael Fine will share his harrowing journey after a horrific accident that brought him to the brink of suicide, and how his experience has brought hope to others. This program is co-sponsored by JCFS, MISSD and No Shame on U. Register at [https://jcfs.formstack.com/forms/suicide\\_jewish\\_community](https://jcfs.formstack.com/forms/suicide_jewish_community). For more information please contact Elizabeth at [ElizabethCohen@jcfs.org](mailto:ElizabethCohen@jcfs.org) or at 847-745-5404.

All are invited to attend both of these events and there is no cost to attend. If you have any questions or need assistance with any social service or mental health concern, please contact our JCFS liaison Ann Luban at [AnnLuban@jcfs.org](mailto:AnnLuban@jcfs.org) or at 847-745-5420.

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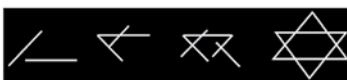
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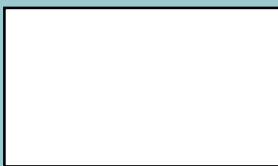
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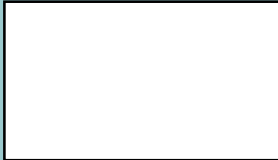
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