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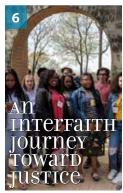












#### THE PRESIDENCY OF STEVE SILK: LEADING WITH HEART AND VISION

This month Steve Silk will step down as President of Anshe Emet Synagogue. As we welcome Art Friedson to the presidency, let us pause to celebrate Steve Silk's years of service. Steve has served in a variety of capacities since coming to Anshe Emet. Possessing prodigious business acumen, enthusiasm, a seeming supply of endless energy, a very Jewish soul and a deeply caring heart, Steve has made a deep impact in all areas of congregational life. His cheerful personality is always evident, whether in making announcements on a Shabbat morning, leading a board meeting, or just greeting a person in the hallway. Steve exudes a genuine warmth that ensures that everyone he meets feels welcomed and valued at Anshe Emet. In Pirke Avot [1:15], Shammai teaches that we should greet each person with a sever panim yafot: a pleasant countenance. Steve has embodied this teaching for our congregation and reminds all of us of the power that a smile possesses.



RABBI MICHAEL S. SIEGEL Senior Rabbi, The Norman Asher Rabbinic Chair msiegel@ansheemet.org

Steve has focused his attention on the finances of our congregation. Serving first as treasurer and then as President, Anshe Emet now stands on firmer financial ground due to his leadership. He has worked assiduously to support our fund-raising efforts, as well as the expansion of our staff and programs. One of the factors that has made Steve's tenure as President so very impactful is that he is a fully engaged member of our community. It is not unusual to see Steve read from the Torah or participate in the myriad of activities taking place at Anshe Emet. Linda and their son Gabriel have been very involved in the life of our community as well. Steve is the only sitting President of Anshe Emet that has celebrated the Bar Mitzvah of their son. Our synagogue's relationship with the Bernard Zell Anshe Emet Day School has only become stronger because Steve and Linda are parents in the school. In short, Steve's leadership reflects a person who is fully engaged in the life of Anshe Emet.

On a personal note, I have felt a true partnership with Steve. He has been willing to listen to my hopes and dreams for the congregation, as well as offer thoughtful feedback. His support in some of our major efforts has been invaluable. Steve has been willing to take risks to strengthen our congregation, secure our staff, and lay the foundation for the future. His friendship has been a gift.

At the end of the Book of Deuteronomy, we see the transition between Moses and Joshua. Both men brought different strengths to their leadership of the Israelites. How lucky we are to have such gifted leaders at Anshe Emet as well. I know that our congregation will benefit greatly through the capable leadership of Art Friedson. But there is one phrase that captured Moses beautifully at the end of his tenure. The Torah records: *Lo Chahata Ayno: his eye was undimmed.* Why does the Torah focus on Moses's eyes at a moment like this? Perhaps it suggests that as Moses peered into the promised land, he continued to look to the future of the people that he led. His eyes still brimmed with enthusiasm as he looked ahead. That same phrase applies perfectly to Steve at this time of endings and new beginnings. His excitement for our community has not waned at all; in fact, it continues to grow.

While we fully expect to benefit from Steve's wisdom into the future, at this juncture we offer Steve Silk our sincere thanks for a job well done.

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### **CELEBRATIONS/EVENTS**

#### At the Theatre

Something for Us took a trip to see The Rosenkranz Mysteries Play at the Royal George Theatre on Thursday, May 3.









#### Sensational at Seventy: Yom Ha'Atzmaut at Anshe Emet

Celebrating Seventy Years of Israel! Adults, kids and camels got together for festivities on Thursday, April 19.













Michael S. Siegel, Senior Rabbi The Norman Asher Rabbinic Chair

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### MAZEL TOV TO OUR B'NAI MITZVAH



Dalya Lessem Elnecave June 2, 2018 Daughter of Rachel Lessem and Isaac Elnecave



Andrew Condrell June 9, 2018 Son of Stephanie and Alex Condrell

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Sophia Rosenkranz June 2, 2018 Daughter of Laura and Ricardo Rosenkranz



Mackenzie Li Hua Check June 28, 2018 Daughter of Marsha Mackenzie and Lewis Check

#### FINAL THOUGHTS

Four years as President. 48 Bulletin articles written (I am amazed when people tell me that they have read them ... and more surprisingly, like them!). Over 100 b'nai mitzvot. Too many deaths. More smiles and appreciation than one can fathom. It has been a privilege to be part of the good which Anshe Emet does for the community.

My first thanks go to Rabbi Siegel, my partner, my Rabbi, my friend. He did an amazing job preparing me for this role. Few understand how hard he works, how much he cares and how much good he does. I am blessed to know Michael Siegel.

And he has quite a world class clergy. Hazzan Mizrahi is among the most talented people I know and is committed to his excellence beyond anyone's comprehension. Rabbi Russo has a positive aura which envelopes him and those within his space like few that I have ever met. He was born to be a rabbi. Rabbi Chankin-Gould has a sense of insight, kindness and humanity that is indescribable. What a beautiful person ... and he wears cool socks each Shabbat! Naomi Weiss-Weil exudes a positive, vibrant spirit 24/7 and has great pipes!

We are blessed to have our staff. Everyone agrees that AES has the best staff in its long history. Boni provides glue to keep a talented team aligned. Amy has engaged our community with imaginative, relevant programming. Mimi [I call her "Ms. Sunshine"] has given our community her soul and goodness which are overflowing. Frank and our maintenance team work tirelessly to make this building work 24/7 for a robust synagogue and day school. And Max, Kim, Naomi, Steve, Lilly, Edgar, Brian, Tamar, et al provide the talent of a sound team all rowing in the same direction. They all make these lay leadership jobs easy.

I also want to thank our lay leaders for their boundless commitment. Harold Hirshman, our past president, left me with a sound strategic plan and tight ship with no leaks. Jay Goodgold was willing to serve as Treasurer and #1 confidente years after



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President, Anshe Emet Synagogue
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he had served as president. I am forever indebted to Jay. Scooter Simon was willing to

serve as ExecVP for the shul, in addition to serving in the same capacity for the school. His commitment to our building project is a blessing. Gary, Irene, Fraeda, Jeremy, Arnie, Mimi, Lynne, Alan and all of our lay leaders serve selflessly, with wisdom. I love the familial feeling within our Board.

Please provide all of your support to Art Friedson, our incoming president. Art is a long time member, is always smiling, is highly intelligent, is a mensch, and was a Yeshiva boy [his family kvelled]. He will find that our work of the past 4 years is hardly done. We need to extend our strategic thinking to understand how we can provide broader services to a broader community. We need to build a building which will better suit our community's needs for decades. We need to better use technology to reach into the homes and lives of our community. We need to make Anshe Emet a Center for all things Jewish in Chicago.

Thank you all of for the love, care and support which you have heaped on me. I will be proud of what we have accomplished for a lifetime.

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# Menschen of Month

#### **Concert Volunteers**

The 2018 Kaplan Concert was a tremendous success due to these valuable volunteers:

Rica Berg, Tom Bornstein, Sydney Esbitt, Deborah Irwin, Bruce Kaminsky, Jon Norton.

Thank you so very much for your kindness and effort on behalf of Anshe Emet!

# Discover the Anshe Emet channel on VouTube

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

Search for channel name: Anshe Emet at YouTube.com

#### **Israel Policy Forum**

On Sunday, April 29, Anshe Emet welcomed the Israel Policy Forum. The keynote speaker was Danny Yatom, Former Director of Mossad, and a Former member of Knesset.





## Saturday/Sunday, July 21-22, 2018

# Tisha B'Av at Anshe Emet Synagogue

#### Tisha B'Av Worship Schedule:

#### Saturday, July 21

7:30 - 9:00 p.m.
Dinner & Shiur (study about Tisha B'Av)
9:00 p.m.
Evening service and Eicha reading

#### Sunday, July 22

8:30 a.m.
Morning Minyan
Following morning minyan (approximately 9:45), there will be a shiur (study about Tisha B'Av), with Prof. Claire Sufrin

8:00 p.m. Mincha, Shiur, & Ma'ariv 8:55 p.m. Fast ends

#### Tisha B'Av: A Day to Reflect on Senseless Hatred

On the ninth of Av, many great disasters have befallen the Jewish people. In Biblical times, the Israelites found out that they would not be able to enter the Land of Israel; The first Temple was destroyed in 586 B.C.E.; The second Temple was destroyed in 70 C.E.; Expulsion of the Jews from Spain in 1492.

"THE THREE WEEKS": The seventeenth day of the Hebrew month of Tammuz, Shiva Assar B'Tammuz (this year the fast is observed on July 1, the 18th of Tammuz), begins the three week mourning cycle leading up to Tisha B'Av. This cycle officially begins with the minor fast of Shiva Assar B'Tammuz (minor because it is a fast day that begins with sunrise and ends with sunset). On this day the Romans broke through the walls to Jerusalem and began destroying the walls around Jerusalem. This marks the beginning of the three week period of mourning which commemorates the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem both in 586 B.C.E and in 70 C.E. During the three weeks, many people do not celebrate weddings or play joyful music.

"THE NINE DAYS": The latter part of the three weeks, from the first to the ninth of the Hebrew month of Av, is known as the Nine Days. During these days the laws of mourning intensify, with restrictions that often include a ban on swimming, getting haircuts and eating meat (a symbol of luxury). Likewise there is no drinking of wine, except for Shabbat.

# 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 April.

Ben Abrams; Fran Abramson; Bruce Arenson; Chuck & Sara Aron; Barry Balik; David Bardach; Barbara Binik; Rickey Briskman; Stu Cohen; Adam Cooper; Sarah Davilaar; Steve Durchslag; Pierre Eilian; Terry Fadem; Beth Farber; Dina Fraint; Noam Frankel; Gail and Dan Golden; Roz & Sam Grodzin; Eve Guth; Daniel Hernandez; Sarah Hirsen; Arnie Horwich; Joy Horwich; Steve Hurvitz; Bruce Kaminsky; Penny & Brett Keeshin; Linda & Norm Levin; Debby Lewis; Jane Lippow; Jane Lippow; Tovah Markenson; Loui Marver; Alan Mintz; Bill Nelson; Francisco Ortiz-Perez; Shelly Parker; Fraeda & Gary Porton; John Ragir; Esther Rosenbloom; Susan & Leni Rosenstein; Julie Ross; Heidi & L isa Roth; Shelly Rothstein; Brit Rothstein; Anna Rubin; Ed Salomon; Jerry Salzman; Emily Schoerning; Neil Schwartz; Barry Seeskin; Ken Shapiro; Elias Solano; David Spector; Jason Star; Rob Stepen; Rob Stepen; Phil Stern; Maya Tkachak; Abe Trieger; Judy Walder; Lisebeth Weiner; Jacob Wilkenfeld; Stew Witkov; Mike Wood.

#### 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 April (this does not include our Bar/Bat Mitzvah students).

Sanctuary and Minyan: Sasha Adams, Hannah Adams, Drew Block, Sophie Dekoven, Ellen Feinstein, Art Friedson, Michael Goodgold, Sarah Hirsen, Dan Karp, Oliver Katz, Ben Kleinman, Jay Lewkowitz, Alan Mintz, Brian Nagorsky, Joe Platt, Gary Porton, Sholom Sandalow, Lynne Schatz, Elaine Seeskin, Barry Seeskin, Gabriel Silk, Ari Silver, Ariel Tesher, Jon Zidel, Mila Zidel.

Rose Crown Minyan: Jake Bennett, Matthew Bluestone, Arthur Elstein, Suzanne Griffel, Ari Handelman, Rebekah Johnston, Yanira Kaplan, David Kaplinsky, Aaron Lawee, Liz Lippow, Ann Luban, Rachel Luban, Marc Luban, Naomi Margolis, Brian Nagorsky, Tamar Newberger, Gregg Pollack, Alex Schapiro, Andy Schapiro, Brooks Weinberger, Sarah Wolf.

Youth Readers: Lev Choplin-Pogrund, Zach Choplin-Pogrund, Vera Cirillo, Frankie Cirillo, Jocelyn Friedman, Gus Griffin, Phoebe Kleinman, Ethan Leder, Maya Lessem-Elnecave, Maya Matsa, Eli Puchtel, Shayna Rosenstein, Nava Schwarz, Damian Solano.

### Know someone new to the neighborhood?

If you know someone new to the Chicago Jewish community, who you believe would be interested in finding out about Anshe Emet Synagogue, please contact Amy Karp at 773-868-5139, so we can speak to them about all of the wonderful religious, spiritual, educational and communal opportunities the synagogue has to offer.

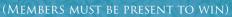
# MONDAY, JUNE 18 | 7:00 PM ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

# JOIN YOUR ANSHE EMET COMMUNITY IN CELEBRATING ALL WE'VE ACHIEVED IN THE LAST YEAR.

HONOR OUR DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS

- RECOGNIZE OUR 2018 MILTON BROWN AWARD WINNERS
- Witness the installation of our new Board and Officers.

Plus ... Join our Raffle for a Chance to Win a new Apple watch!





6:30 - 7:00 PM DESSERT RECEPTION
7:00 PM ANNUAL MEETING

#### 2018 Report of the Nominating Committee

The following nominations for Trustees and Officers were presented by the Nominating Committee and approved by the Board of Trustees. These nominations will be presented to the congregation as stated in the By-laws for their election to serve for a one-year or two-year term.

#### Officers for a two-year term, expiring 2020:

President	Art Friedson
Executive Vice President	Scooter Simon
Vice President	
Vice President Vice President	leremy Liss
Vice President	Arnie Rubin
Treasurer	Lynne Schatz
Secretary	Ion Norton

#### Officer whose term expires in 2019 and does not require re-election:

Vice President ......Fraeda Porton

#### Trustees for a one-year term expiring in 2019:

Sam Schwartz-Fenwick

#### Trustees for a two-year term expiring in 2020:

Diane MeagherKimberly Miller RubenfeldAlan MintzAlicia ObermanLindsey SeeskinMimi WallkMichele Sackheim-WeinJon Zidel

#### Trustees remaining in office until their terms expire in 2019:

Ava Berry Danielle Lazar Neil Schwartz

#### **Immediate Past President:**

Steve Silk

#### Trustees retiring from the Board with our sincerest gratitude:

Gary Wigoda Howard Cohen Harold Hirshman Lowell Kraff



# SPRINGBOARD

## Let's Get Together: An Interfaith Journey Toward Justice

Nearly 4 years ago, a conversation between a rabbi and a pastor sparked an idea: What if youth from both the African-American and Jewish communities took a trip to the south together? Since its inception that day, the concept of an educational, interfaith trek southward continued to resurface, and finally become reality this March. Let's Get Together: An Interfaith Journey Toward Justice brought together 33 of Chicago's African American and Jewish teens on a 4-day journey to explore our shared history in the Civil Rights Movement. Far from being a simple sightseeing trip, the participants returned to Chicago armed with strong bonds of friendship; a deep sense of shared purpose; and the leadership skills which will allow them to be change-agents in their communities.

The maiden voyage of Let's Get Together brought students to historic sites in Tennessee, Arkansas, Missouri, and Illinois. Highlights of the trip included the National Civil Rights Museum and the Historic Mason Temple in Memphis; Little Rock Central High School; Central Reform Congregation and a night at the theatre in St. Louis; and the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library in Springfield, followed by a day of social justice advocacy at the Illinois State Capitol.

The appeal of Let's Get Together was simple. Those who were curious to learn from those different than them, or eager to explore their own past; those who wanted to see new places and make new bonds; those tired of how our city/country is so divided who were looking for a way to effect change, found their place on this trip.

















# SPRINGBOARD









## **Student Testimonies**

What made me apply was the presentation of the experience that we would have, like the [planned] sites and [chance of] making new friends, [to] learning about each other's culture/religion. My favorite moments were when we went to Memphis and all bonded at the hotel. We were so open to share information and have fun. [I learned] how the Lorraine Motel was converted into a museum. Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s room was left in its original state, and [I was] able to see the location where he gave his last speech.

Sydney Green

I applied to let's get together because I saw it as a opportunity to learn more about Jewish culture and see if it had any similarities to black culture. My favorite memory from the trip was the talent show because it was fun and I saw my new friends sharing talents I didn't know they had. Something I learned from the trip that I didn't expect was that Black and Jewish history [is] a lot alike. We share many things [in] common--that was a surprise. We don't learn about [this] sameness in school. Usually, we just talk very briefly about slavery and the holocaust, that's it. There's a lot more to cover but it's skipped. -

Alassane Twillie

#### **Parent Testimonies**

I absolutely admired the objective of the joint venture and the optimistic outcome [of this trip]. I was deeply committed and excited about the opportunity for Sydney to explore and develop a different perspective of learning with this group of teens. I was looking forward to Sydney being a physical observant learner of the struggles of the Civil Rights Movement and the Holocaust by visiting the monuments, utilizing her leadership skills, and developing lifelong friendships. I believe that the intention of this venture was achieved and may have exceeded one's expectations.

Marlene Green

For years I have always thought that African Americans and Jewish Americans should find ways to work together and connect our communities. Both of our cultures are highly steeped in traditions, and faith, and we've both overcome enormous challenges by [those] who've attempted to erase us physically and mentally. This trip was the perfect opportunity for Alassane to be engaged with two important parts of his life and culture. [Ours is] an interfaith African-American family. I'm Jewish and my husband is Christian. What I hoped is that [our son] would gain more pride about his heritage, while learning and interacting in a "safe" environment. I wanted him to hear how fearless both of our cultures have been when fighting for our safety, our freedom, and for our families; how we have and can continue to work together on social justice to defend our future. This trip was wonderful. The preparation for this experience was spectacular. It was organized, affordable and sensitive to all who were involved. Everyone involved helped families and teens to connect in a way that was welcoming, friendly and thought provoking.

Christie Chiles Twillie



Anshe Emet Was Proud to Partner with the Following Organizations:















### MEET OUR NEW DIRECTOR OF EDUCATIONAL INNOVATION





#### Friends,

It is with great joy that we announce that Emily Schoerning, PhD will be joining our team as Director of Educational Innovation. This new position is truly a first of its kind nationally. The creation of this position is a recognition that 21st century Jewish education, like all other aspects of 21st century Judaism, must be dynamic and open to new ideas and approaches.



Emily's hire marks the culmination of a two-and-a-half-year process of exploration and testing to create this 21st century vision of Jewish youth education. The process, conducted with a professional consultant and a team of 24 lay leaders [LaAtid Task Force], has crafted a vision of youth and family education which instills robust and meaningful knowledge, honors the diversity of very different learners and families, offers flexibility in time and space, and serves to cement lasting relationships among students, families and the larger community.

A search committee of nine individuals engaged in a robust process of identifying Anshe Emet's needs and seeking out the best leader from a wide national search who would lead our community into the future. That committee was led by Sam Schwartz-Fenwick and included Leah Aberman, Rabbi D'ror Chankin-Gould, Helene Greenwald, Max Handelman, Eli Kaufman, Dani Lazar, Jason Star, and Becca Tatel. We are so grateful to each member of the search committee for their dedication and diligence. The committee unanimously and enthusiastically selected Dr. Schoerning for this position. The committee was blown away by her educational prowess, formidable experience in innovation, and contagious passion for Jewish life and learning.

In this new role, Emily will collaborate with our Clergy, Professional Education Team (including our wonderful Principal Laurie Orenstein; Director of Family Life and Learning, Max Handelman; Youth and Young Adult Director, Sam Isenstein; and Continuing Education Director, Cantor Liz Berke), and lay leaders with an eye towards implementing the vision of the LaAtid Task Force. She will work to incorporate prototypes and pilots for substantive change, assess the success of these ventures, experiment with new ideas which honor the vision of the Task Force, and design an implementation plan for the fully realized vision of LaAtid to be implemented in subsequent years. Emily's work will no doubt impact all members of our community, day school families and religious school families alike, as well as the larger Anshe Emet community—as we seek to implement a vision of learning and growth which benefits the entire community.

Emily brings to Anshe Emet a deep passion and love for Judaism, a collaborative spirit, and national experience in developing and implementing innovative educational programs. She will be relocating from the Bay Area where she is very active in her current shul, Congregation Beth Jacob in Fresno, CA, and looks forward to her family becoming part of our community. She is married to Rabbi Mike Gilboa and is the mother of Anax (age 6) and Fia (age 4). Emily and her family celebrated Shabbat with Anshe Emet on Saturday, May 12, and was at the last day of Religious School on Sunday, May 13.

Please make every effort to reach out to Emily with a warm Anshe Emet welcome to her and her family.

Sincerely,

Rabbi D'ror Chankin-Gould

Canielle Lozar SM 2011

Dani Lazar



Sam Schwartz-Fenwick

#### Get to Know Emily...

# WHAT'S THE FIRST THING YOU WANT TO DO IN CHICAGO?

Go to Milt's BBQ for the Perplexed. We did, it was great!

**DEEP DISH OR THIN CRUST?** Deep dish.

# WHAT ARE YOU MOST LOOKING FORWARD TO IN YOUR NEW POSITION?

Helping the community to realize our educational vision. The chance to lead the development of a curriculum centered by emotional connections and community relationships, which will create deep bonds between learning Jewishly and living Jewishly, is such a wonderful opportunity.

# WHAT'S THE LATEST PROJECT YOU WERE WORKING ON BEFORE YOU CAME HERE?

My husband and I just finished the proofs for my book on community-based informal education. It's supposed to come out this summer!

# WHAT STOOD OUT TO YOU THE MOST WHEN YOU FIRST CAME TO ANSHE EMET?

The vibrancy of the community. I feel so fortunate to have the opportunity to raise my children here.

# WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE ACTIVITY TO DO WITH YOUR FAMILY?

We like to explore new places. We visited a lot of national parks in California; now we look forward to exploring the city.

# WHICH JEWISH HOLIDAY IS THE BIGGEST DEAL IN YOUR FAMILY?

We love Sukkot. We are still working on perfecting our sukkah.

# WHICH BIBLICAL FIGURE DO YOU IDENTIFY WITH THE MOST? WHY?

I aspire to both the kindness and the mouthiness of Rivka. I think she is perhaps the bravest of the matriarchs.

# DO YOU HAVE A FAVORITE JEWISH TEXT? HOW ABOUT A PARSHA?

I like Zornberg's commentaries, particularly Bewilderments. My favorite parsha is Sh'mot.

IF YOU WERE TO TEACH A CLASS
ABOUT THE ASPECT OF JUDAISM THAT
YOU'RE MOST PASSIONATE ABOUT,
WHAT WOULD IT BE CALLED?

B'tzlem Elohim

# RAYMOND ARBETMAN CENTER FOR JEWISH EDUCATION



For details and registration information visit our website at https://www.ansheemet.org/adulted.

#### PREPPING FOR TISHREI

Tishrei is not so far away! Join us for the following classes and keep your eyes out for more specifics in Shabbat Today and online communications:

 "Mastering the Machzor, or, getting the most out of your High Holidays and the prayer book that goes with them." The course will get people ready for the High Holidays by exploring the music of the



CANTOR ELIZABETH BERKE

Director of Continuing Education eberke@ansheemet.org

season and the poetry of the Lev Shalem Machzor, as well as the structure of the holidays and their prayers. We will look at other Machzorim, food traditions, and even some High Holiday humor along the way. Instructor: Miron Hirsch. July 26 - August 30, 7:00 p.m. Look online for registration information.

- Two Shofar Blowing workshops with Maxine Segal Handelman. July 26, 7:00 p.m. and August 21st, 7:00 p.m. These are open to teens and adults. Help the community by learning to blow shofar - shofar blowers needed in the Malkov Chapel and Media Center Services.
- Sukkah Raising 101 with Maxine Segal Handelman, Sunday August 5, 9:30 a.m. We will build and take down a sukkah to understand the various steps involved. Participants will also look at different styles of sukkot and learn the basics of what is necessary to build one.

Contact Elizabeth Berke eberke@ansheemet.org for more information

# 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. We offer discussions on a variety of Jewish-related topics with Rabbi Siegel, Hazzan Mizrahi, Cantor Liz Berke, Rabbi Russo, Rabbi Chankin-Gould, Elie Berkman, and others.

HaZaK meets at Anshe Emet Synagogue every Monday, from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Here's a look at the upcoming schedule:

June 4: Cantor Liz Berke

June 11: Rabbi David Russo

June 18: Hazzan Steven Berke

June 25: Rabbi Michael Siegel

July 2: Cantor Liz Berke

July 9: Rabbi D'ror Chankin-Gould

July 16: Rabbi David Russo July 23: Naomi Richman

July 30: TBD

#### **EXCEEDING EXPECTATIONS**

This year has truly exceeded all expectations and we have accomplished much. We are an incredible community and it has been an honor to work with each of you and your students. The year was not without a few blips and blubs but it has been a wonderful year and I am forever grateful that you have welcomed me into this amazing community and allowed me to experience a year of learning, growing and fun! As we look to the future there is



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Interim Principal, Joseph and Belle Braun Anshe Emet Religious School Iorenstein@ansheemet.org

so much to be excited about, there is much change ahead of us and I can't wait to see where the coming year will take us.

The school year ended on the highest of notes as we rocked with Musician Rick Recht and enjoyed the spirit and Ruach of the school year. Thank you to all the families that joined us. The Lipsey Festival was truly



outstanding and a fantastic way to end the year.

Much congratulations to the 8th Grade Class that graduated on May 13. We are all proud of your hard work and dedication in the last school and beyond. Mazel Tov to the families of Sasha Adams, Ellie Agulnek, Ellie Choslovsky, Sophie DeKoven, Naomi Epstein, Leo Kantrow, Elijah Koller, Ellana Kordon and Elizabeth Norton. We are all very proud of your accomplishments.



It is an exciting time for the Joseph and Belle Braun Religious School at Anshe Emet Synagogue. We are at a moment of a culmination of a twoand-a-half-year process

of exploration and testing to create this 21st century vision of youth education. The process, conducted with a professional consultant and a team of 24 lay leaders (The LaAtid Task Force), has crafted a vision of youth and family education which instills robust and meaningful knowledge, honors the diversity of very different learners and families, offers flexibility in time and space, and serves to cement lasting relationships among students, families, and the larger community.

Registration is now in full swing and I look forward to hearing from you so we can explore together how to make your family's journey both engaging and meaningful. Registration can be found on our web page and those of us in the Religious school office are looking forward to the return of students who are continuing their education as well as meeting new students who will be joining us for the first time. Please be sure to sign up by July 1 to enjoy the early bird discount.

There is much promise ahead for all of us and I can't wait to work with you to make it happen. For more information or to set up a time to meet, please give me a call at 773 868-5131.

B'Shalon

Laurie Goldberg Orenstein

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ANSHE EMET YOUTH?



SAMANTHA ISENSTEIN
Youth and Young Adult Director
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We hope that you have a fantastic summer. Please stay tuned for our opening programs in the fall! If you are away at camp, we would love to send you snail mail or even visit you if your camp allows visitors. Please fill out the form at the link below to let us know where you will be this summer if you would like mail or visitors! https://tinyurl.com/AEScampinfo18

#### **USY ON WHEELS**

USY on Wheels is visiting Chicago! We need host families! Have a spare bed or two this summer? We need host families for Sunday, July 1st. Pick up is at 8pm from Anshe Emet and drop off on Monday, July 2nd. Anshe Emet loves hosting this group of teens who are spending their summer traveling across the country. If you can host 2 or more teens, please fill out the form at https://tinyurl.com/AESWheels18.

#### MAZEL TOV TO THE NEW SHMUSY EXECUTIVE BOARD!



President: Ariana Handelman

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SHMUSY at Kinnus 2018



Rick Recht and David Orkin perform at the Lipsey Music Festival.



Ari Handelman and Jacob Kline at "18 under 18."

Special two-sided June-July pull-out calendar!

# June 2018 · SIVan-Tamuz 5778

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Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
	18 SIVAN	19 SIVAN	2
	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 8:45 a.m. Lerner's of Torah w/Rabbi Siegel 5:45 p.m. First Friday, Family Services followed by Dinner 6:30 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service 7:15 p.m. YAD Service, followed by Dinner	9:00 a.m. Parashat Hashavuah 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Numbers 8:1 - 12:16 (Beha'alotcha) Haftarah: Zechariah 2:14 - 4:7 9:30 a.m. Rose Crown Minyan Dalya Lessem Elnecave becomes a Bat Mitzvah	10:00 a.m. Youth Choir practice 10:00 a.m. Shalom Shabbat 11:00 a.m. Ruach/Jr. Cong. 11:00 a.m. Shachar 12:00 p.m. Kiddush 1:15 p.m. Shabbat Mincha 1:15 p.m. Jewish Philosophy
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24 SIVAN 7	25 SIVAN 8	26 SIVAN	9
7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 8:00 a.m. Post Minyan Learning 5:00 p.m. Shachar/Machar End of Year Event 6:45 p.m. AES Basketball 6:45 p.m. Sisterhood Book Club 7:00 p.m. Shireinu 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 8:45 a.m. Lerner's of Torah w/Rabbi Siegel 6:30 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service 6:30 p.m. Lakeview Minyan Service and Potluck	9:00 a.m. Chai Mitzvah 9:00 a.m. Parashat Hashavuah 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Andrew Condrell becomes a Bar Mitzvah Auf Ruf of Alex Antell & Mark Fillipo; Auf Ruf of Ben Rosen & Allison Medina Torah: Numbers 13:1 - 15:41 (Sh'lach) Haftarah: Joshua 2:1 - 2:24	9:30 a.m. Rose Crown Minyan 10:00 a.m. Shalom Shabbat 10:00 a.m. Youth Choir practice 11:00 a.m. Ruach/Jr. Cong. 11:00 a.m. Shachar 12:00 p.m. Kiddush 1:15 p.m. Shabbat Mincha
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7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 8:00 a.m. Post Minyan Learning 6:45 p.m. AES Basketball 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 8:45 a.m. Lerner's of Torah w/Rabbi Siegel 6:30 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service 6:45 p.m. Mishkan	9:00 a.m. Parashat Hashavuah 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Auf Ruf of Jaclyn Weinstein & Henry Schwartz Torah: Numbers 22:2 - 25:9 [Balak] Haftarah: Micah 5:6 - 6:8 9:30 a.m. Rose Crown Minyan 10:00 a.m. Shalom Shabbat	11:00 a.m. Ruach/Jr. Cong. 11:00 a.m. Shachar 12:00 p.m. Kiddush 1:15 p.m. Shabbat Mincha 4:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Park Playdate (offsite)
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8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan 5:30 p.m. USY on Wheels	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 7:00 a.m. USY on Wheels 1:00 p.m. HaZaK		7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 7:45 a.m. Text on Tuesdays 6:45 p.m. AES Basketball		Independence Day Synagogue Office Closed 8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan	4
25 TAMUZ 8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 1:00 p.m. HaZaK 6:30 p.m. Daniel Basketball	9	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 7:45 a.m. Text on Tuesdays 6:45 p.m. AES Basketball	10	28 TAMUZ 7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan	11
3 AV 15 8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan 5:00 p.m. Men's Club Talent Night	6:50 a.m. Morning Minyan 1:00 p.m. HaZaK	16	5 AV 7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 7:45 a.m. Text on Tuesdays	17	6 AV <b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan	18
	6:30 p.m. Daniel Basketball	<u> </u>	<b>6:45 p.m.</b> AES BasketbaÍl	9.4		25
Tisha B'Av 8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan Followd by a Shiur (study about Tisha B'Av) 8:00 p.m. Mincha, Shiur, & Ma'ariv	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 1:00 p.m. HaZaK 6:30 p.m. Daniel Basketball	23	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 7:45 a.m. Text on Tuesdays 6:45 p.m. AES Basketball	24	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan	<u> </u>
8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan 10:00 a.m. Little Builders Summer City Series (offsite)	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 1:00 p.m. HaZaK 6:30 p.m. Daniel Basketball	30	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 7:45 a.m. Text on Tuesdays 6:45 p.m. AES Basketball	31		

# Tamuz-AV 5778

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
22 TAMUZ 5	23 TAMUZ 6	24 TAMUZ	7
7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 8:00 a.m. Post Minyan Learning 6:45 p.m. AES Basketball 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 8:45 a.m. Lerner's of Torah w/Rabbi Siegel 5:45 p.m. First Friday, Family Services followed by Dinner 6:30 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service	9:00 a.m. Parashat Hashavuah 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Numbers 25:10 - 30:1 (Pinchas) Haftarah: Jeremiah 1:1 - 2:3 9:30 a.m. Rose Crown Minyan	10:00 a.m. Shalom Shabbat 11:00 a.m. Ruach/Jr. Cong. 11:00 a.m. Shachar 12:00 p.m. Kiddush 1:15 p.m. Shabbat Mincha
	±± 8:10 p.m.		
29 TAMUZ 12	1 AV 13	2 AV	14
<b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan <b>8:00 a.m.</b> Post Minyan Learning <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Al Anon	Rosh Chodesh Av 6:50 a.m. Morning Minyan 8:45 a.m. Lerner's of Torah w/Rabbi Siegel 6:30 p.m. Lakeview Minyan Service and Potluck	9:00 a.m. Parashat Hashavuah 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Numbers 30:2 - 36:13 [Matot- Masei] Haftarah: Jeremiah 2:4 - 28; 3:4 9:30 a.m. Rose Crown Minyan	10:00 a.m. Shalom Shabbat 11:00 a.m. Ruach/Jr. Cong. 11:00 a.m. Shachar 12:00 p.m. Kiddush 1:15 p.m. Shabbat Mincha 4:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Park Playdate (offsite)
7 AV 19	20		21
7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 8:00 a.m. Post Minyan Learning 6:45 p.m. AES Basketball 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 8:45 a.m. Lerner's of Torah w/Rabbi Siegel 6:30 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service 6:45 p.m. Something for Us: Shabbat Shelanu - Shabbat Davening at the Lake	9 AV  Erev Tisha B'Av/Shabbat Chazon 9:00 a.m. Parashat Hashavuah 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Deuteronomy 1:1 - 3:22 (Devarim) Haftarah: Isaiah 1:1 - 1:27 9:30 a.m. Rose Crown Minyan 10:00 a.m. Shalom Shabbat	11:00 a.m. Ruach/Jr. Cong. 11:00 a.m. Shachar 12:00 p.m. Kiddush 1:15 p.m. Shabbat Mincha 7:00 p.m. Dinner & Shiur (study about Tisha B'Av) 9:00 p.m. Evening service and Eicha reading
14 AV 26	15 AV 27	16 AV	28
7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 8:00 a.m. Post Minyan Learning 6:45 p.m. AES Basketball 7:00 p.m. Mastering the Machzor 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 8:45 a.m. Lerner's of Torah w/Rabbi Siegel 6:30 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service 6:45 p.m. Shabbat on the Lake (offsite)	Shabbat Nachamu 9:00 a.m. Parashat Hashavuah 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Deuteronomy 3:23 - 7:11 [Vaetchanan] Haftarah: Isaiah 40:1 - 40:26 9:30 a.m. Rose Crown Minyan Rubin/Sanz Auf Ruf	10:00 a.m. Shalom Shabbat 11:00 a.m. Ruach/Jr. Cong. 11:00 a.m. Shachar 12:00 p.m. Kiddush 1:15 p.m. Shabbat Mincha
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for all the days of your life

We are always adding new events. For the most recent calendar listings, please visit www.ansheemet.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.

# June 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
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20 SIVAN	21 SIVAN 4	22 SIVAN 5	23 SIVAN
8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan 9:30 a.m. Babies & Bagels 2:00 p.m. Diller Fellowship	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 1:00 p.m. HaZaK 6:30 p.m. Basketball 7:00 p.m. Navigating College Workshop	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 7:45 a.m. Text on Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. Writing Class 6:45 p.m. AES Basketball 7:00 p.m. Ma'ariv/Evening Minyan Service 8:00 p.m. A Conversation with Ron Dermer, Israel's Ambassador to the U.S.	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan
27 SIVAN 10	28 SIVAN 11	29 SIVAN 12	30 SIVAN 13
8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan	6:50 a.m. Morning Minyan 1:00 p.m. HaZaK 5:00 p.m. Hway Kosher Teen group Dinner 6:30 p.m. Daniel Basketball	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 7:45 a.m. Text on Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. Writing Class 7:00 p.m. Ma'ariv/Evening Minyan Service 7:00 p.m. Wine, Women, and Walking with God: The Strength Within Series	Rosh Chodesh Tamuz 6:50 a.m. Morning Minyan
4 TAMUZ 17	5 TAMUZ 18	6 TAMUZ 19	7 TAMUZ 20
8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 1:00 p.m. HaZaK 6:30 p.m. Daniel Basketball 7:00 p.m. Anshe Emet Annual Meeting	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 7:45 a.m. Text on Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. Writing Class 6:45 p.m. AES Basketball 7:00 p.m. Gesher & Torah Trope 7:00 p.m. Ma'ariv/Evening Minyan Service 7:00 p.m. Wine, Women, and Walking with God: The Strength Within Series	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan
11 TAMUZ 24	12 TAMUZ 25	13 TAMUZ 26	14 TAMUZ 27
8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan	<b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan <b>1:00 p.m.</b> HaZaK	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan 7:45 a.m. Text on Tuesdays 6:45 p.m. AES Basketball 7:00 p.m. Ma'ariv/Evening Minyan Service 7:00 p.m. Wine, Women, and Walking with God: The Strength Within Series	7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan

### ANSHE EMET YOUNG FAMILIES JUNE/JULY HAPPENINGS



MAXINE SEGAL HANDELMAN Director of Family Life & Learning mhandelman@ansheemet.org

# Anshe Emet has lots happening for families with children 8 years old and younger!

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.

#### FRIDAY NIGHT KABBALAT SHABBAT DAVENING AND DINNER

Anshe Emet Family First Friday Kabbalat Shabbat Davening and Dinners are June 1 and July 6, 5:45 p.m.! Families with babies to kindergarten age will join Rabbi Donni Aaron and Max Handelman for a musical and story-filled service. Families with older elementary school students will gather with Rabbi David Russo for a spirited and extended Kabbalat Shabbat [Welcoming Shabbat] service. The services will each end at 6:30 p.m., followed by a delicious Shabbat dinner. June's menu is BBQ deliciousness [veggie & gluten free options available]. July's meal is TBD. Storytime follows dinner, and after that, the field [weather permitting] will be open for some play time.

If this is your first time joining us, use the code 1stTimeFam when you register, and dinner is on us. We'll even set you up with a buddy family to show you the way. Please register your family for dinner at tinyurl.com/FirstFridayDinnerJune2018 by Tuesday May 29 (for June) and at tinyurl.com/FirstFridayDinnerJuly2018 by Tuesday July 3 (for July) to avoid a late fee.

#### BABIES AND BAGELS: SUNDAY JUNE 3, 9:30-11:00 A.M.

Ben Tatar is back for a music filled morning of schmoozing and noshing and meeting amazing new friends with kids 2 and under.

And because Babies and Bagels is in the morning, we ACTUALLY get to eat bagels! The program is free, but registration is requested: www.tinyurl.com/babiesandbagelsjune2018.

#### LITTLE BUILDERS SUMMER CITY SERIES

Don't miss this chance to have five playdates with friends old and new! On five Sundays from July 29 to August 26, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m., we will meet in five different parks around the North Side. Families with children 2-4 years old are welcome to join in this Little Builders Summer City Series. Each playdate will feature plenty of time to play and schmooze, supplemented by bubbles and chalk and a short gathering to sing and share a story. A great peek into what the Fall Little Builders class has to offer. Siblings welcome. There is no fee for this summer series, but please register your family today so we can be sure to have enough chalk! We invite you to bring pot luck kosher nut-free snacks and a change of clothes for your child, who might enjoy the water features at most of the parks we'll visit.

Join us Sundays from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m:

July 29 - Senn Playlot Park, 5887 N Ridge Ave.

August 5 - Margaret Donahue Playground, 1230 W School St.

August 12 - Winnemac Park, 5100 N. Leavitt St.

August 19 - Fellger Playground, 2000 W. Belmont Ave.

August 26 - Adams Playground, 1919 N Seminary

For more information, visit

Tinyurl.com/LittleBuildersSummerCitySeries.

#### **SUMMER SHABBAT PARK PLAYDATES**

On long Shabbat afternoons, let's gather at local parks after naptime to hang out with Anshe Emet friends. All families invited to bring babies on up and pot luck nut-free snacks to the following Summer park playdates:

- June 30, 4:00 p.m., Morrie Mages Park 3920 N. Recreation Dr, Chicago (Irving Park & the Lake)
- July 14, 4:00 p.m., Wendt Playlot Park 667 W. Roscoe St. Chicago

#### **DON'T MISS ANYTHING!**

Join our list serv by e-mailing AEYF-subscribe@yahoogroups. 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/!

### Amazon Shopper? Help Support Anshe Emet

People who shop using Amazon.com can select to support Anshe Emet financially by shopping through AmazonSmile.



Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organizations selected by their customers, and Anshe Emet is one of them!

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For information and to shop, visit smile.amazon.com, search for and select Anshe Emet Synagogue (Chicago) as your designated charity.

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#### ANSHE EMET SISTERHOOD



#### **PROGRAMS**

COLLEGE CONNECTION

Help Anshe Emet keep in touch with your student while away at school. We mail meaningful, interesting and fun reminders of Jewish traditions several times per academic year. Send your name, your student's name, full college mailing address and email to aecollegeconnection@gmail.com. It's never too late to sign up a student for the next package. We compile a new list each school year so previous participants need to resubmit their contact information.

#### BOOK CLUB

The Sisterhood book group will conclude this season with a discussion of Lisa Ko's *The Leavers*. This completes our winter/spring selections of Man Booker winners *Lincoln in the Bardo* and *A Horse Walks into a Bar*.

We meet from 6:45 to 8:45 in the Reich room. This would be a perfect time for anyone interested in participating in our discussions to try us out. Just contact Judy Metzger at Hgmet1@ aol.com and let me know that you are planning to attend. We will waive the cost of this final session, and hopefully you will join us for a TBA list of our three fall titles.

Thursday, June 7: The Leavers: A Novel, Lisa Ko. On one hand, The Leavers, by Lisa Ko is a very specific story, or rather stories. There are two narrators, Polly Guo, who, pregnant, leaves her province in China to try to make a new life in the United States, and Deming Guo, her son. It is the story of trying to make a living as an undocumented worker and the story of growing up in the United States. It is the story of hope and a particular immigrant family whose members do the best they can to make their way.

#### SISTERHOOD MONDAY NIGHT MAH JONGG

If you are interested in coordinating the Sisterhood's Mah Jongg program, please contact Helene Greenwald at hgreenwa@gmail.com. For information about Monday Night Mah Jongg email Helene Greenwald at hgreenwa@gmail.com.

#### THE NIGHT MINISTRY

The Night Ministry volunteers will continue their meal service with the Night Ministry this year. Contact Janine Landow-Esser to volunteer or donate. Janine811@gmail.com. Sisterhood, 3760 N Pine Grove, Chicago,IL 60613, with the notation Night Ministry.

#### GIFT SHOP

The Gift Shop is open Sundays, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., when Religious School is in session.

Check for upcoming notices and events at www.AnsheEmet.org; look for Sisterhood under Programs.

Elizabeth Cline, Communications

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From January 20th to April 17th, members of the Anshe Emet community volunteered to help prepare thousands of tax returns for low income families and individuals at various Center for Economic Progress sites. Each volunteer went through a rigorous certification process. Tax time is vitally important for low income families and individuals as their refund is generally the largest check they receive all year. In addition to tax preparation services, the CEP sites have financial coaches on hand to provide the families and individuals a rare opportunity to plan for a rainy day. The clients shared their gratitude for the help through a complex process. Na'aseh joins them in thanking the volunteers. If this sounds like an interesting opportunity, and you'd like to volunteer next year, please reach out to us!

In May, Na'aseh attended the ONE Northside Convention to learn about their campaigns and to hear from elected officials. Anshe Emet is a member organization of ONE Northside, an advocacy group that helps Chicagoans organize around important issues that affect our city. For example, they campaigned to double the personal needs allowance for people on disability in Illinois and are part of a grassroots alliance advocating for civilian oversight over the police department. We look forward to exploring how we can further partner with ONE Northside on these or other important issues. If you have input, we'd love to hear from you.

In June we will be having board elections for the 2018-2019 year. We will be reflecting on the previous year and will discuss exciting ways to continue and expand on existing efforts. There are 6 board positions open: President, Vice President, Direct Service, Advocacy, Membership, and Communications chairs. Please subscribe to our newsletter by emailing naaseh.ansheemet@gmail.com to learn how to become a board member or to learn about any of our other opportunities for service!

SAVE THE DATE: June 22-23, 2018

### A Conversation with Abby Stein

Activist, Jewish Educator, Writer and Speaker.



Born and raised in a Hasidic family in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, Abby is a descendent of Rabbi Baal Shem Tov, the founder of Hasidic Judaism. In that world Abby attended Yeshiva, and became a rabbi in 2011. She left the Hasidic world the following year, and came out as a trans-woman in 2015. Since then, Abby has been working to raise support and awareness for trans rights and those

leaving Ultra-Orthodoxy. In 2016 Abby was named by The Jewish Week as one of their "36 Under 36" emerging Jewish leaders.

The Friday evening program, a dinner for YAD and YLD Pride age groups, is sponsored by YLD Pride and Anshe Emet. The Saturday program, including a D'var Torah during services and a post-Kiddush discussion, honors the life and generosity of Dr. Dillie Grunauer, a friend, activist and inspiration to many within the Anshe Emet community.



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

I sincerely hope you were able to join us for our last 2 events. Our annual Yom HaShoah-Yellow Candles commemoration on Wednesday, April 11, truly was outstanding. Fellow congregant, Paulette Freed, traced the journey of her family's escape from Nazi Europe and how it intersected with the valiant efforts of Artisdes de Sousa Mendes, the unique Portuguese consul assigned to Nazi-occupied Bordeaux, France. He defied directives by the Portuguese government and issued over 30,000 visas for safe passage, including about 10,000 visas to lews, to enable people to flee Nazi Europe. In so doing Sousa Mendes performed what probably is the largest rescue action by a single individual during the Holocaust. The profits from our Men's Club sales of our yahrzeit Yellow Candles this year will be donated to the Sousa Mendes Foundation.

On April 21 our Men's Club members, family, and friends assembled to celebrate Men's Club Shabbat by providing a fulfilling, enjoyable, and meaningful participatory service. Thanks to all of those who had parts and to all of those who came to daven with us. It is only with your continued support and participation that we are able to make our Men's Club Shabbat service and many other events so successful. It was especially heartwarming to have Maxine Handelman and the 5th and 6th grade Religious School children and parents with us this year. I hope it was as satisfying for all of you as it was for me personally. Special thanks to Rabbi Siegel for presenting Men's Club with our FJMC Torch Award in recognition for our outstanding Yom HaShoah-Yellow Candles programs.

Once again, I am writing before the event. On May 14 Cantor Steven Berke will have been the special guest of Men's Club and presented a film and led a discussion entitled "All the Rage." The evening will have focused on a novel method of pain management that should be useful to many in need of relief from chronic pain. Thanks to Steven for his interest in sharing his knowledge and personal experiences with us.

We are lining up several fun activities over the summer months. Watch our congregation emails, and check our Facebook page, Anshe Emet Men's Club, for further information about another great moment of Men, Meat, and Midrash at Milt's. We also are getting the gears in motion for the show of shows--our Men's Club Talent Show. You may start contacting us now if you would like to be part of the action.

Now that baseball season is in full swing Men's Club will be going to see the Chicago White Sox slug it out with the New York Yankees on Wednesday, August 8. The game is a while away, but we only have a limited number of tickets at \$25 each. Please contact Jon Norton, jonathanwnorton@gmail.com, to purchase yours now while they are still available.

I hope to see you soon as you join with your Men's Club family and participate with us. You will be glad you did. Please contact us with your suggestions and questions at MensClub@ AnsheEmet.org. We are incomplete without you.

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

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

Please let us know by calling the synagogue office at 773-868-5126. Thank you!

#### CARING COMMITTEE CORNER

Thank you to the volunteers of the Caring Committee who lend a hand and make a difference every day at Anshe Emet:

Whether it's preparing or delivering meals to new families or those who are homebound, Jessica Bearak and her team of volunteers are on hand to bring cheer and chicken soup.

Whether it's being a mensch with a wrench, a mover of furniture or a grocery shopper for those temporarily unable to do for themselves, Michael Cohen and his crew are on it to be there to

Being a friend to those who are sick or no longer mobile is the greatest gift our volunteers receive. Ask Julie Ann Sklaver and her amazing volunteers who are all hearts and smiles.

Merle and Barry Gross and their corps of volunteers perform the ancient mitzvah of ritually preparing the body for burial. Their love and support has made a difference to our families in grief. Dianne Tesler heads our Shiva Committee, bringing compassion and empathy with every step of support.

For more information about how we can serve you, or to become a volunteer, please email caring@ansheemet.org.

## **Community Resources**

#### Summer Job Search



As spring turns to summer and the school year ends, thoughts for older teens and young adults may turn to summer jobs. For some, this may come easy. Others may need assistance to find the right position,

especially if they have a disability. JVS Chicago Youth Services offers these young adults the assistance they need to find a part-time or full-time summer position or year-round position in the transition to adulthood. Individuals aged 16-24 are eligible if they live in Cook County and have a documented disability. IVS professionals will conduct an individual assessment and match skills, abilities and interests through a customized job search, interview preparation and job retention services. In addition, participants will have access to all other JVS Chicago services. For more information or to sign up, contact JVS Chicago Youth Services at 855-463-6587 or via info@jvschicago.org. Of course, feel free to reach out to our Anshe Emet JCFS Liaison Ann Luban at 847-745-5420 or AnnLuban@jcfs.org for assistance with this or any other social service or mental health concern.

#### The Mitzvah of Bikur Cholim

Would you or a loved one benefit from a visit by a community member? The Bikur Cholim team at Anshe Emet performs the mitzvah of visiting the sick for the connection and continued healing of those who have become ill or impaired.

For more information about receiving a Bikur Cholim visit please contact Rabbi D'ror Chankin-Gould at dcgould@ansheemet.org. For more information to become a volunteer member please contact Julie Ann Sklaver at aesbcteam@gmail.com.

#### THE SEASON OF RENEWAL

It is that time of the year again. The sounds of Wrigley field can be heard from our offices. The school kids are almost ready for summer vacation and it is our Renewal season! The Membership renewal forms will be arriving in your homes by the end of the month. We revised the form this year to make it as easy as possible for you to renew. There is even a new process for adjustments with less paperwork to make sure



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that everyone who wishes to be a part of our community can do so in a simple way.

A few requests from our office staff and administration:

- 1. Email addresses and mailing addresses do change from time to time. Please make sure our office is aware of these changes by returning your renewal forms!!
- 2. High Holy Days are very early this year so it may affect the number of additional tickets you are seeking. If you are requesting extra tickets for the High Holy Days, please indicate this information on the renewal form so the proper tickets can be sent at the end of the summer.

Please remember that tickets cannot be released without a completed renewal information, and at least either a partial payment, or the arrangement of a current payment plan. Payment plans must be reestablished each year.

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#### **UPCOMING HAPPENINGS:**

June 22-23: A weekend with Abby Stein

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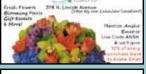




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