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## Deterrent that Does Not Deter – Engagement that Truly Engages



**From Rabbi  
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This year marks the 25th Anniversary of the Pew Study on the American Jewish Community. This study fired the shot that was heard across the Jewish world revealing that 50% of the American Jewish Community was choosing to marry outside of the Jewish people. With such news came passionate response. Every Jewish organization and community, it seemed, had its own version of effective outreach and engagement.

Twenty five years later it's worth asking: how are we doing?

According to Steven M. Cohen, one of the important Jewish demographers in America, "not very well." In a recent article, "Which of our Grandchildren will be Jewish in the age of Inter-marriage" ([http://forward.com/opinion/352405/](http://forward.com/opinion/352405/which-of-our-grandchildren-will-be-jewish-in-this-age-of-inter-marriage/?attribution=author-article-listing-1-headline)

which-of-our-grandchildren-will-be-jewish-in-this-age-of-inter-marriage/?attribution=author-article-listing-1-headline) – Cohen challenges the Jewish community to consider the fact that through all of our efforts the statistics are not changing for the better. In the PEW study taken just two years ago, the number of intermarriage have increased to 52% overall and more than 70% in the non-Orthodox community.

Dr. Cohen faces the challenge to the Jewish community plainly: "No American ethnic group has successfully persisted in the face of mounting inter-group marriage, a phenomenon that is self-generating. No American religious group — outside a few of the most

fervent and sectarian — has escaped annual losses in worshippers and adherents. American Jews are trying to overcome overwhelming odds." This leads Dr. Steven Cohen to the conclusion that the Jewish community would do well to reassess where it's putting its resources and focus its attention on those groups which will most likely stay within the fold. While I most certainly understand the logic and respect Steven both as a scholar and a friend, I respectfully disagree.

My work at Anshe Emet has taught me many things. I can say with certainty that campaigns for "in marriage" have little chance of success in an open society like America. The effectiveness of creating deterrence in membership or inclusion for interfaith families can be seen in the rising intermarriage rates! Such efforts will only continue to cause great tension and ill will in Jewish community. Our first responsibility at Anshe Emet is to create a community that is warm and welcoming and with it an educational program that presents Judaism as thoughtful, dynamic, meaningful and joyful. If we are successful in doing our work well, people will be drawn to synagogue life and be inspired to replicate it in their homes.

Our work at Anshe Emet has shown me that the success or failure of outreach is dependent on the relationships we build along the way. There is a reason why our congregation has the largest synagogue based conversion program in the country. It's not just that the curriculum is thoughtful or that the teachers are engaging. The secret of our success, is in the area of personal contact. We get to know people and introduce them to others. We work to make them feel welcome in the larger community and assign mentors for them on a Shabbat morning. In the end, people who have no relationship with the Jewish community discover what it means to be part of a community. What is especially gratifying is to see the Jewish partners involved

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## Light and Latkes

Light and Latkes on Thursday, December 15 brought together celebrity chefs, clergy, and the Anshe Emet Community for a tasty Hanukkah celebration.



## Trivia Night

The "Something for Us" group presented a special evening on Saturday, December 3.



## Babies & Bagels

Kids and parents turned out for the latest get-together in this popular series on Sunday, December 18.



## ☆ Mazel Tov to our B'nai Mitzvah ☆



**Elijah Koller**  
January 14, 2017  
Son of Deborah &  
David Koller



**Mollie Dubner**  
January 21, 2017  
Daughter of Meredith  
and Jason Dubner



**Gabriella DeKoven**  
January 28, 2017  
Daughter of  
Leelach DeKoven



**Zoe Elizabeth Weiss**  
January 28, 2017  
Daughter of Michael Weiss  
& Rachel Sternberg



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

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## From Our President

**Steven Silk**  
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# The Essence of Community

When the Board developed our Strategic Plan with the participation of so many at Anshe Emet, two words became central themes: Welcome and community. We wanted to realize and capitalize on the goodness of the people of Anshe Emet. We were a community and wanted that feeling to pervade our services, simchas, meals, events, sorrows. It could have been a bunch of words written in flowery language put in a document that went on a shelf. Rather, as hoped for, it has been a guiding light.

There is no greater example of community at Anshe Emet than our *Chevra Kadisha*. My purpose in writing is to make you aware of these efforts,

celebrate those who selflessly contribute and ensure that you know that these services are available through your community members. Perhaps after learning more, you might want to learn still more and join the group. Much of what I will communicate was sourced from Merle Gross who forwarded me quite a bit of information, notably an article by Susan Esther Barnes from *The Jewish Journal*.

Stemming from the Hebrew words for friend and holy, *Chevra Kadisha* is a trained group of volunteers from the community who care for the bodies of those deceased in our community between death and burial. These functions include staying with the body, preparing the body for burial through a physical cleaning and ritual cleansing process (*tahara*) and dressing the body. While we obviously do not know exactly what happens at death, Jewish tradition suggests that it may be a jarring experience when the soul is separated from the body which housed it for so long. Tradition suggests that the soul hovers over the body until burial to ensure that it is properly cared for and laid to rest. This is sacred work done lovingly by members of our community.

To be sure, our synagogue funeral plan, which I had a hand in developing, uses trained, trusted professionals who work with the grieving family to make the process as easy and simple as possible. Certainly, funeral directors have people who do this important work. Our *Chevra Kadisha* supports and supplements these efforts by providing a caring, personal approach to the work.

You might imagine that those who volunteer take it very seriously. The experience shapes their own views about how to treat community members in life and death. Merle Gross wrote to me, "A *tahara* is not about MY comfort -- but, on the same hand, perhaps it IS ... for it's about the comfort level we each have for this ritual. As simple as it is, it's become shrouded in mystery and myth. During the hour or two spent at a *tahara*, I am immersed, removed from my everyday concerns, suspended in a curious time capsule. My actions are by no means automatic or rote, I simply do what needs to be done with no thought to my selfness 'before' or 'after'. I am fully present and acutely aware of being 'in the moment' ... I never thought or cared much about what would happen to my body after I died but, having served in the *Chevra Kadisha* I find now that I DO, indeed care. My only certainty is this: What I think of as my soul, my essence, it is vouchsafed in the memory of those who knew me. I hope the *Chevra* women of all the tomorrows will be much like the women of today for then I will be well-delivered."

I cannot fully express my gratitude to Merle and Barry Gross for their work as coordinators as well as the others who participate in the sacred work. I am proud to be part of a community of friends who have the goodness and righteousness to step forward and provide this love to their friends. For more information, reach out to Rabbi Siegel at [msiegel@anshemet.org](mailto:msiegel@anshemet.org) or Merle or Barry Gross at [merlekgross@gmail.com](mailto:merlekgross@gmail.com).

## Menschen of the Month

### Lauren Chernyak and Andrea Minor

Lauren and Andrea are co-chairing the work for the CHldush grant awarded to Anshe Emet focusing on early childhood education for those families with children 2-3 years old. As part of this grant, Andrea and Lauren are committed to attending 5 workshops, attend coaching sessions with our assigned coach along with our staff team of Rabbi D'ror Chankin-Gould, Max Handelman and Amy Karp. They also lead an advisory committee comprised of parents with children in this age group or soon to be in this age cohort. They are instrumental in helping Anshe Emet create a comprehensive program designed for our families to launch in September 2017.

On behalf of a grateful community, you have our heartfelt appreciation for your vital work!

## The Seven Questions You're Asked in Heaven

At Selichot we examined the Seven Questions You're Asked in Heaven – take this opportunity to check in with yourself – How are you doing?

Here are the questions, as a reminder:

- 1) How will I be honest?
- 2) How will I leave a legacy?
- 3) How and when will I study?
- 4) How will I have hope in my heart?
- 5) How will I get my priorities straight?
- 6) How will I enjoy this world?
- 7) How will I be the best I can be?

**Cantor Elizabeth Berke**

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

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



**From Rabbi  
David Russo**

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## Torah Study, Taking Action, and the U.S. Citizenship Test

There is a great debate in our rabbinic tradition. Our rabbis asked, 2,000 years ago – what is better, what is greater, what is more important: Torah study, or action? Our tradition concludes: *"Talmud gadol, shehatalmud mevi liydei ma'aseh – Torah study is greater than action, because Torah study leads to action."* (Babylonian Talmud Kiddushin 40b)

According to a simple reading of this teaching, Torah study is preferable because it often leads to action. Actions rarely lead one to Torah study, but the reverse, Torah learning, will often lead a person to make some kind of change in the world.

But a more expansive reading of this Talmudic dictum would read like this: "Torah study is only greater if it leads to action." Our Torah study is preferable only if it actually stirs us to make change in the world.

I personally have been thinking about this teaching a great deal over the past few months while studying for the U.S. citizenship test. In order to make a change in my citizenship and my identity, I had to study one hundred questions which I could be asked in a citizenship interview. Three of the one hundred questions a candidate for citizenship could be asked (and I'm happy to grill you on the other ninety-seven) include:

- What movement tried to end racial discrimination? (Answer: The civil rights movement)
- What did Martin Luther King, Jr. do? (Answer: Fought for civil rights and worked for equality for all Americans)
- Name two national U.S. holidays: (One of them is: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)

In order to be a citizen, you need to study and understand the basics of American history. Part of that study includes a history of discrimination in our country (I can say "our" now, as I successfully passed the test ... phew). Candidates are asked these questions because Americans are always supposed to keep in mind the legacy of Dr. King, of what it means to exercise our civil rights, of actively involving ourselves in the affairs of our government, of petitioning our representatives, because that is the foundation of our democracy. Anyone applying to become a citizen is taught to study what it means to be an American – and through that study, to act on it, to become an engaged citizen.

With that in mind, we at Anshe Emet do not envision the days when we commemorate the legacy of Dr. King as a day off, or as a long weekend. We hope that you will join us at one of the events below:

On Shabbat morning and during Shabbat is Awesome on January 14, we will delve into Torah study and the legacy of Dr. King, reflecting on their works and exploring what we can do to make a difference. We are honored that Rabbi Danya Ruttenberg, Rabbi-in-Residence at Avodah, will join us.

On Monday, January 16, 2017, join JUF's TOV for a morning of volunteering, followed by a program at 10:30 a.m. at Stone Temple Church: "United in Hope, Standing for Justice." Contact Jane Charney at [janecharney@juf.org](mailto:janecharney@juf.org) for more details.

On Friday night, January 20, Anshe Emet Live with Rabbi Siegel and Hazzan Mizrahi will include Songs of Freedom, and highlight the legacy of Dr. King.

We hope that you will join us, as our study, as our prayers, lead us to action in repairing our world.

## ANSHE EMET LIVE! A COMMUNITY-WIDE MUSICAL SERVICE



**FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 7:30 P.M.**

**THIS MONTH: SONGS OF FREEDOM  
HIGHLIGHTING THE LEGACY OF DR. KING**

**ONEG SHABBAT TO FOLLOW**

*Come join your friends and make new ones as we celebrate Shabbat in an interactive community service. This event is open to the entire Jewish community. For more information, please call the Synagogue office at 773-281-1423.*



*If you are not currently receiving our weekly "Shabbat Today" e-mail and would like to receive it, please call our offices at 773-281-1423 and provide your e-mail address.*



**15TH ANNUAL DR. ARNOLD H. KAPLAN CONCERT**

## **LIGHTS, CANTORS, ACTION!**

**SAVE THE DATE: MARCH 19, 2017 • 4:00 PM**

**CHAIRS: CATHY & ETHAN KAHN**

**If you would like information regarding sponsorship opportunities or would like to volunteer for the Kaplan Concert, please contact Mimi Weisberg at 773-868-5123 or [mweisberg@ansheemet.org](mailto:mweisberg@ansheemet.org).**

### ***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 November.

Sara & Chuck Aron; Caroline Aberman; Ben Abrams; Manya Abrams; Trudie Acheatel; Karin Appelbaum; Bruce Arenson; Barry Balik; Jane Basewitz; Eve Becker; Dale Benjamin; Jack Bergstein; Deborah Brown; Matthew Brown; Isaac Cohen; Norman Cohen; Alan Colitz; Sophie, Samantha DeKoven; Judi & Harold Duckler; Steve Durchslag; Arthur Elstein; Jeff, Suzy, Aiden Esser; Chuck Finkelstein; Amy Frankel; Ezra Furman; Phyllis Gelles; Michael Glen; Judy & Bill Goldberg; Cynthia Goldberg; Gail and Dan Golden; Barbi Green; Jay Hausler; James Hausler; Richard Herman; Sarah Hirszen; Dalia Hoffman; Diana Jay; Bruce Kaminsky; David Kaplinsky; Elise Lennard; Debby Lewis; Roselind Lindau; Herbert Lippitz; Jane Lippow; Liz Lippow; Tamara & Jeffrey Margolis; Alan Mintz; Deborah Mizrahi; Laura Neiman Rifkin; Chris Norton; Howard Oppenheimer; Julie Oppenheimer; Sari Oppenheimer; Shelly Parker; Gary & Fraeda Porton; Dan Pulik; John Ragir; Naomi Richman; Esther Rosenbloom; R. Rosenkranz; Susan Rosentstein; Julie Ross; Ricky Roth; Ed Salomon; Jerry Saltzman; Neil Schwartz; Don Shapiro; Howard Shuman; Rhonda Singer; Chuck Smoler; Yedida Soloff; Dean Solomon; Gretchen Solomon; Phil Stern; Gabor Tarjan; David Thurm; Maya Tkachuk; Abe & Cheryl Trieger; Sharon Wasserberg; David Weil; Jeff, Suzy, Aiden Weinberg; Curt Weiss; Stew Witkov; Cheryl Zachariah; Lynne Zamick; Marianne Zemil.

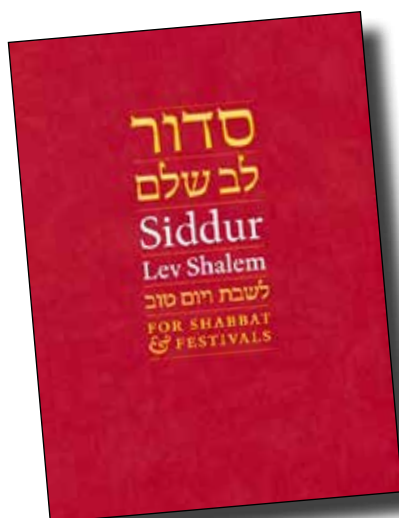
### ***Torah Reading Honor Roll***

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

Sanctuary and Minyan: E. David Appelbaum, David Alperin, Daniel Appelbaum, Tom Bornstein, Jacob Cytryn, Jessica DeKoven, Eddie DeKoven, Dan Karp, Leah Kenen, Leah Oppenheimer, Gary Porton, and Lynne Schatz.

Rose Crown Minyan: Adina Allen, David Alperin, Jacob Cytryn, David Kaplinsky, Rebecca Levinsky, Liz Lippow, Lynne Schatz, Yedida Soloff, Daniel Vaisrub, and Barry Wimpfheimer.

Youth Readers: Sella Alperin, Daniel Aranoff, Rose Hara, Maya Lessem Elneave, Lev Pogrud-Chopin, Zack Pogrud-Chopin, Gabe Seidner, Perla Seidner, and Joe Weider.



## Now available ... *Siddur Lev Shalem*

Would you like to have your own copy of the Anshe Emet new siddur, *Siddur Lev Shalem*? We now have copies available for sale. You can order your copy by calling Tamar at the synagogue office: 773-868-5126. She

will collect payment information from

you and then your book(s) can be picked up at the synagogue office: Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Cost: \$36 per book

"*Siddur Lev Shalem* stretches us in that same way: we've looked at each service, thinking through how it was put together, how the tradition around it developed, what customs were dropped that can be reincorporated, and what contemporary ideas can respond to the text." - Rabbi Ed Feld, senior editor, *Siddur Lev Shalem*



**SECOND FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH, 6:30 P.M.**

A musical Shabbat experience with Rabbi Donni Aaron, Rabbi Dror Chankin-Gould, and Naomi Weiss-Weill! Especially designed for families with middle school and high school youth (5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) and open to people of all ages.

We'll sit in the round, come dressed as we are (jeans are welcome), sing spirited prayers along with guitar, drums, and more! The service will be one hour and will be followed by a vegetarian pot-luck dinner.

### SHABBAT AS YOU ARE WILL MEET:

January 13, 2017 (with Bernard Zell) • February 10, 2017 •  
March 10, 2017 • April 14, 2017 •  
May 12, 2017 (with Bernard Zell) • June 9, 2017

### VEGETARIAN POTLUCK: if your last name begins with:

A-G, please bring salad or fruit  
H-M, please bring side dish  
N-R, please bring main (pasta, beans, etc.)  
S-Z, please bring dessert

Questions? Email Rabbi Donni Aaron, [daaron@ansheemet.org](mailto:daaron@ansheemet.org)

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become Jewishly engaged along the way. The fact that more than 40 people a year convert through our program is a testament to our approach.

Conversion, however, is only one piece of what it means to be an open and welcoming community. We have also made good strides in being fully inclusive with interfaith families. Our congregation welcomes interfaith families into our community making sure that we are thoughtful in our approach. We include the non-Jewish husband or wife in lifecycle ceremonies in authentic and meaningful ways. Again, what we had discovered along the way what makes the difference is the personal engagement. Expressing the sentiment that they are not only welcome in the community, but that we value them as part of the Anshe Emet community makes all the difference. We still have some ways to go in this area but we are most certainly on the right road. One question that we are grappling with is that while the clergy of our congregation cannot officiate at interfaith weddings; how can we more fully embrace the couple and their families and find ways to acknowledge and celebrate this seminal moment with them?

I'm pleased to report what is happening at Anshe Emet is also being replicated around the country. Recently I served on the Commission of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism to reconsider the standards for membership. Up until now, Conservative congregations were only supposed to acknowledge the Jewish members of its households. While we at Anshe Emet have disregarded this rule for a number of years, I am pleased to see that

the openness of the synagogue arm of the Conservative movement change its standard. In so doing the USCJ is acknowledging that what was designed to be a deterrent to intermarriage was only serving as an impediment to interfaith families affiliating with our synagogues.

The fact remains the American Jewish community is in uncharted waters. Never in Jewish history has a community been so welcomed and accepted within the Diaspora. The challenge facing our congregation and the wider Jewish community, is how to engage interfaith couples and families on their terms in ways that speak to them personally and spiritually. While questions as to how our community will acknowledge and celebrate interfaith marriages remain to be seen. I, along with our Rabbis and Cantor remain committed to engage the dialogue. We owe it to the next generation to ensure that the Pew Study for 25 years from now will reflect an American Jewish community defining itself more broadly, more boldly, more sensitively and more openly.



## What's Happening in AE Youth?



### From Our Youth Director

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### Membership

It's not too late to join or renew your AE Youth Membership. Please register online. Membership includes discounted programs throughout the year. Kadima and USY membership offers access to CHUSY regional programs and conventions as well as AE Youth events for the school year. Go to [tinyurl.com/AESYouth2016](http://tinyurl.com/AESYouth2016).

### Machar (Grades 3-5)

**January 14 Under-Night!** It's not a sleepover, but it's a late night at Anshe Emet! Come for Havdallah, dinner and a movie! 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. \$10 for Machar Members, \$15 for non-members RSVP at <http://tinyurl.com/macharundernight17>

### Kadima (Grades 6-8)

**Escape with Kadima!** On Sunday,

**January 22**, Kadima will be heading to an Escape Room! 12:15-3:00 p.m. \$15 for Kadima Members, \$25 for non-members. RSVP here <http://tinyurl.com/aekadimaescape17>

**Calling all 8th Graders: You are now welcome to attend USY events!** We can't wait to see you at all of our SHMUSY events starting in January!

### SHMUSY (Grades 9-12)

**Take a break with SHMUSY!** Finals Lounge Night **January 10**, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

**Snow Tubing with SHMUSY, Saturday January 14**, 6:00 p.m. Join us for Dinner, Havdallah and Tubing! \$25 for SHMUSY members, \$35 for non-members. RSVP at <http://tinyurl.com/shmusytubing17>. Must RSVP by Tuesday, January 9. Limited space available!

**January 20, Teen Kabbalat Shabbat Services and Dinner at Rabbi D'ror's Home.**



**USYers at CHUSYFest on November 13**



**Kadima Convention and 8th Grade Shabbaton, December 2**

**CHUSY Midwinter Convention January 27-28** at BEANS (North Suburban Synagogue Beth El in Highland Park). Register online at [CHUSY.org](http://CHUSY.org)

For more information on what is going on at our lounge nights, check out our Facebook group! Or add yourself to our Remind Group text by entering the number 81010 and put in the message @shmusy to be texted reminders about our upcoming events!

### Shabbat is Awesome!

**Saturday January 14, 1:00-4:00 p.m.:** Celebrate Shabbat! Sports, games, crafts and snacks!

*Samantha Isenstein*

### 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](mailto:dcgould@ansheemet.org). For more information to become a volunteer member please contact Cheryl Kaplan Zachariah or Steven Berke at [aesbcteam@gmail.com](mailto:aesbcteam@gmail.com).

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## 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 January 30, 2017.



### **Anshe Emet Young Families January Happenings**

*Maxine Segal Handelman, Young Families Coordinator*

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

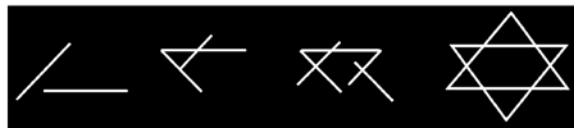
- **Shalom Shabbat**, the well-loved service for children 4 and under and their parents, meets every Shabbat of the month at 10:00 a.m. **Shachar**, for families with children in grades K-2, meets on the second and fourth Shabbat of the month at 11:00 a.m. January dates are the 14th and 28th. If your child is interested in reading a Torah excerpt in Hebrew or English, please contact Max Handelman at [maxhandelman1@gmail.com](mailto:maxhandelman1@gmail.com). **Shachar Tefillah Yoga**, will meet the first and third Shabbat of the month, January 7 and 21 at 11:00 a.m. Dress in comfortable clothes.
- **The Anshe Emet Family First Friday Kabbalat Shabbat Davening and Dinner will be January 6, 2017 at 5:45 p.m.** Choose from two services: The young family service for families with kids K and under, and the spirited and extended Kabbalat Shabbat (Welcoming Shabbat) service for older elementary school students (grades 1-7). Everyone comes together for a delicious community dinner. This month's menu is "Comfort Breakfast" - includes scrambled eggs, blintzes, fake sausages, and so on (dairy). If you have allergies or other food questions, please contact Kim Carter at [kcarter@ansheemet.org](mailto:kcarter@ansheemet.org) by December 30. Please register your family for dinner at this link <http://tinyurl.com/FamilyDinnerJan2017>. There is a \$10 late fee if you register after January 3.

Don't miss anything! Join our list serv by e-mailing [AEYF-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto: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/>.

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**The Arthur & Perle Malkin**



CENTER FOR JEWISH LIFE



**Come discover some of the treasures in the Bennett Library. As we begin 2017 don't forget to include some Jewish learning on your agenda for the coming months. Our library has wonderful resources to help you continue your education on your own time.**

### **Learning with Rabbi Danya Ruttenberg on the Legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. Saturday, January 14**

Join Na'aseh, the social action committee at Anshe Emet, for a special opportunity to learn with Rabbi Danya Ruttenberg, the rabbi-in-residence at Avodah. She will lead a discussion connecting Torah to MLK's "I Have a Dream" speech and what it means to us today. This program will be part of Shabbat is Awesome immediately following Kiddush luncheon on Saturday, January 14.



### **Celebrate with a gift to the Kiddush Luncheon Fund!**

*Whether you are celebrating a special occasion like a new baby, a wedding engagement, anniversary, birthday or commemorating the loss of a loved one for Yahrzeit - share your life cycle events with the congregation by making a gift to the Kiddush Luncheon Fund.*

Contact Kim Carter for details at [kcarter@ansheemet.org](mailto:kcarter@ansheemet.org), or 773-868-5119. Any gift amount is welcome; sponsorships of \$500 or more will be specially acknowledged in the weekly Shabbat bulletin.

### **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.*



## From Aaron Frankel

Principal, Joseph and  
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## Our Hebrew Tutor Core

In each of my bulletin articles in the winter and spring of 2017, I'm going to feature a different aspect of this year's religious school program. The focus may be on elements of the curriculum, on individual staff people or high school students who help so significantly in our offerings, or on events that take place once a year or periodically. For this first installment, we are going to look at our Hebrew tutor core.

For the third grade year at the Joseph & Belle Braun Anshe Emet Religious School, our students begin attending twice per week and focus intensely on

getting a solid foundation in the basics and nuances of phonetic Hebrew reading, which will serve them well as they move forward in the study of liturgy, simple Hebrew conversation, and ultimately Torah and Bar & Bat Mitzvah preparation. Once they get into fourth grade and on, because the curriculum moves in additional directions, our students sometimes don't get the same amount of Hebrew reading practice as they do in third, and can occasionally stop improving or lightly slip backward. With the understanding that there is no better structure to maintain and build on Hebrew reading skill than one-on-one work with a teacher, tutor, or savvy partner, our madrikh Hebrew tutor core is scheduled this year to work one on one with every student in the fourth and fifth grades for at least 20 minutes once per week. Half of the students in the sixth grade also get this opportunity, when they don't have J2M.

There are normally two components to these tutoring sessions: diagnostic Hebrew solutions, with a text that isolates issues in reading technique and then drills these aspects as a form of remediation, and then practice with the prayers that are included in the grade's curriculum, such as the Adon Olam or Ashrei. Our Hebrew specialist and special needs coordinator, Anne Johnston, has been testing the Hebrew level of the students in these grades. The students who need extra expertise are then assigned either to a particularly high-level tutor or to a classroom teacher who is available during these sessions. Teacher Sarah Raff is coordinating our Hebrew tutor core this year, under the supervision of Anne Johnston and myself. Our wonderful madrikh Hebrew tutors, who spend all or some of their time here in this capacity, include: Hannah Adams, Benjamin Nathan, Alanna Newberger, Natalie Rudman, Joshua Penn, Jacob Kline, and Aviva Kaplan. The classroom teacher for each participating class, and of course our tutor coordinator Sarah, also participate – to allow the maximum number of outside helpers at one time. Special needs coordinator Anne Johnston works one-on-one with students who have significant needs or are particularly advanced, but does this independent of the tutor core.

In addition to helping keep up and improve our students' Hebrew reading, this one-on-one Hebrew tutoring is a fun and positive experience for all concerned – for our younger students, with an opportunity to interact directly with older peers or mentors, and for our high school students and teachers, who are able to develop connections with individual students and see them grow and improve.

As we go from strength to strength,




## Raymond Arbetman Center for Jewish Education

For more information on upcoming courses, and a listing of current classes, visit our website at [http://www.ansheemet.org/Adult\\_Ed](http://www.ansheemet.org/Adult_Ed).

## 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, 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:**

**January 2: No HaZaK**

**January 9: Rabbi David Russo**

**January 16: Elie Berkman**

**January 23: Rabbi D'ror Chankin-Gould**

**January 30: Cantor Elizabeth Berke**



## TASK FORCE

The LaAtid Task Force is a group of twenty-five members of the Anshe Emet community who are envisioning the future of the Jewish learning experience for our youth and families.

**LaAtid (meaning "The Future") will be holding community conversations over the next few months. We are interested in hearing your perspective on the hopes and dreams for your family's Jewish life.**

PLEASE REACH OUT TO US AT [LAATIDAES@GMAIL.COM](mailto:LAATIDAES@GMAIL.COM)



# ANSHE EMET

## SYNAGOGUE

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<b>3 Tevet</b> <b>1</b> <b>New Years Day</b> <b>Hanukkah - Day 8</b> <b>8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan</b> <b>No Religious School</b>	<b>4 Tevet</b> <b>2</b> <b>8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan</b> <b>Synagogue Office Closed</b>	<b>5 Tevet</b> <b>3</b> <b>7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan</b> <b>7:45 a.m. Text on Tuesdays</b> <b>7:00 p.m. Torah Trope</b>	<b>6 Tevet</b> <b>4</b> <b>7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan</b>
<b>10 Tevet</b> <b>8</b> <b>8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan</b> <b>10:00 a.m. Mollie Dubin English Class</b> <b>No Religious School</b>	<b>11 Tevet</b> <b>9</b> <b>7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan</b> <b>1:00 p.m. HaZaK</b>	<b>12 Tevet</b> <b>10</b> <b>7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan</b> <b>7:45 a.m. Text on Tuesdays</b> <b>7:00 p.m. Torah Trope</b> <b>7:00 p.m. Torah on Tap - Offsite</b>	<b>13 Tevet</b> <b>11</b> <b>7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan</b>
<b>17 Tevet</b> <b>15</b> <b>8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan</b> <b>9:00 a.m. Religious School</b> <b>10:00 a.m. Mollie Dubin English Class</b> <b>12:00 p.m. SHMUSY Basketball</b>	<b>18 Tevet</b> <b>16</b> <b>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</b> <b>7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan</b> <b>1:00 p.m. HaZaK</b> <b>6:00 p.m. Hebrew 1.0</b> <b>6:00 p.m. Hebrew 1.5</b> <b>7:00 p.m. Heritage</b>	<b>19 Tevet</b> <b>17</b> <b>7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan</b> <b>7:45 a.m. Text on Tuesdays</b> <b>7:00 p.m. Torah Trope</b>	<b>20 Tevet</b> <b>18</b> <b>7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan</b>
<b>24 Tevet</b> <b>22</b> <b>8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan</b> <b>9:00 a.m. Religious School</b> <b>9:15 a.m. SK Brunch &amp; Learn</b> <b>10:00 a.m. Mollie Dubin English Class</b> <b>10:00 a.m. Hartman iEngage</b> <b>12:00 p.m. SHMUSY Basketball</b>	<b>25 Tevet</b> <b>23</b> <b>7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan</b> <b>1:00 p.m. HaZaK</b> <b>6:00 p.m. Hebrew 1.0</b> <b>6:00 p.m. Hebrew 1.5</b> <b>7:00 p.m. Heritage</b> <b>7:00 p.m. Men's Club: Jerry Markbreit</b>	<b>26 Tevet</b> <b>24</b> <b>7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan</b> <b>7:45 a.m. Text on Tuesdays</b> <b>7:00 p.m. Torah Trope</b>	<b>27 Tevet</b> <b>25</b> <b>7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan</b>
<b>2 Shevat</b> <b>29</b> <b>8:30 a.m. Morning Minyan</b> <b>9:00 a.m. Religious School</b> <b>10:00 a.m. RS 1st Grade Family Program</b> <b>10:00 a.m. Mollie Dubin English Class</b> <b>10:00 a.m. Hartman iEngage</b> <b>12:00 p.m. SHMUSY Basketball</b>	<b>3 Shevat</b> <b>30</b> <b>7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan</b> <b>1:00 p.m. HaZaK</b> <b>6:00 p.m. Hebrew 1.0</b> <b>6:00 p.m. Hebrew 1.5</b> <b>7:00 p.m. Heritage</b>	<b>4 Shevat</b> <b>31</b> <b>7:00 a.m. Morning Minyan</b> <b>7:45 a.m. Text on Tuesdays</b> <b>7:00 p.m. Torah Trope</b>	

# The Raymond Arbetman Center for Adult Jewish Education



## Spring 2017

### New this Semester

#### Talmudic Justice Part II: Of Priests, Kings, and Limitations on Executive Power (Sanhedrin Perek 2)

Instructor: Sarah Wolf

Tuesdays, February 7 - March 14; 6:30-8:45pm

Fee: \$65/Member; \$75/Non-Member

What privileges should be granted to people who wield authority? To what extent should their rights be restricted? Do different types of power require different configurations of rights and limitations? In this course we will study the second chapter of Tractate Sanhedrin, which explores these questions through an examination both of how priests and kings must behave and how others must behave towards them. Class will begin each week with time to prepare in hevruta (paired study), followed by a group discussion and explanation of the day's material. All texts will be available in both Hebrew and English.

#### Do You See Me? Judaism, Addiction and Recovery

Instructors: Dr. Beth Fishman (Jewish Center for Addiction) and Rabbi D'ror Chankin-Gould

Thursdays, February 9, 16, 23 (offsite); March 2;

Monday, February 27 (offsite); 6:30-8:30pm

Fee: No Cost/Member; \$18/Non-Member

A four session class focusing on the difficult issues surrounding Judaism, addiction and recovery and how to love and support those struggling with addiction. One of the sessions is off-site and will allow participants to attend an open 12-step meeting. Two additional programs are open to the class: Tu B'Shevat Recovery Seder on Sunday, February 12 and Freedom Song, a musical written and performed by residents of Beit T'Shuvah, a Jewish recovery home for alcoholics and addicts, on Monday, February 27.

### Hartman iEngage

#### Engaging Israel: Foundations for a New Relationship

Instructor: Various Rabbis

Sundays, January 22, 29; February 5, 12, 19;

March 5, 19, 26; April 2; 10:00am-12:00pm

Fee: No Cost/Member; \$50/Non-Member

This was the first series of lectures in the iEngage program from the Shalom Hartman Institute that first appeared at our synagogue in 2012. The series reframes the discussion about the enduring significance of the State of Israel for contemporary Jews worldwide. This curriculum elevates the conversation about Israel by rooting it in Jewish values and ideas rather than in response to crisis, equipping individuals and communities with a quintessentially Jewish values based vocabulary to define and articulate why Israel can and should be fundamental to their Jewish identity.

Continental breakfast is included. Registration is required at: <http://tinyurl.com/AESiEngage2017>

### Registration Information

Spring 2017 registration is available online at: <http://tinyurl.com/AdultEdSpring2017>

Questions? Please contact Cantor Elizabeth (Liz) Berke, Director of Continuing Education, at 773-868-5117 or [eberke@ansheemet.org](mailto:eberke@ansheemet.org).

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Engaging Israel: Foundations for a New Relationship	Hazak Jews by Choice: Miller Jewish Heritage Hebrew 1.0 Hebrew 1.5	Text on Tuesday Talmudic Justice Part II Haftarah Trope	Do You See Me? Judaism, Addiction and Recovery	Lerner's of Torah: Friday Parsha Study	Parshat HaShavuah Jews by Choice: Hands on Judaism
					Updated 12/12/16

## Bible & Community Learning

### Hazak

**Instructor:** Rotating rabbis and community members  
**Mondays, Ongoing; 1:00-2:00pm**  
**Fee:** No Cost

Hazak is a daytime program for mature adults with active minds. Clergy and rotating staff offer discussions on a variety of Jewish-related topics and weekly Torah readings.

### Lerner's of Torah: Friday Parsha Study

**Instructor:** Rabbi Michael S. Siegel  
**Fridays, Ongoing; 8:45-9:45am**  
**Fee:** No Cost

Named in memory of Shelby Lerner, z"l, this rollicking, relevant approach to the weekly Torah portion draws from traditional and modern sources in pursuit of the meaning of the text for our time.

*Unable to make it to AES to study? Stuck in the house because of the weather? Don't let that stop your learning! Take advantage of our conference call-in feature for Lerner's of Torah. Contact Antoinette Nunez at [anunez@ansheemet.org](mailto:anunez@ansheemet.org) to register for this class and receive the call-in number.*

### Parshat HaShavuah

**Instructor:** Rabbis D'ror Chankin-Gould and David Russo  
**Saturdays, Ongoing; 9:00-9:45am**  
**Fee:** No Cost

Start your Shabbat off right — with an exciting, in-depth look at the week's Torah portion! You can come every week or drop in once in a while — either way, your voice will add to the conversation.

### Text on Tuesday

**Instructor:** Dr. Gary Porton  
**Tuesdays, Ongoing; 7:45-8:30am**  
**Fee:** No Cost

Text on Tuesday is a discussion group centered on a common text. Sources range from Pirkei Avot to Midrash and beyond, leading to lively discussion and greater understanding of our texts and traditions.

## Tikkun Leil Shavuot

### Lakeview Community Tikkun Leil Shavuot Tuesday, May 30 at Anshe Emet

Join the JCC Sidney N. Shure Kehilla and its partner communities for our annual all night learning with Orthodox & Egalitarian morning services immediately following.

## Conversion Program

### Jews by Choice

**Instructor:** Cantor Liz Berke, our rabbis, and community members  
**Saturdays, Ongoing; 9:00-10:15am**  
**Hebrew 1.0: Mondays, Ongoing; 6:00-6:45pm**  
**Miller Jewish Heritage: Mondays, Ongoing; 7:00-8:30pm**  
**Fee:** Email Cantor Liz at [eberke@ansheemet.org](mailto:eberke@ansheemet.org)

Anshe Emet's conversion program is open to the entire Chicagoland community. Under the direction of Cantor Liz Berke, participants engage in Jewish learning through a Shabbat morning class, Hands on Judaism, complemented by our Hebrew 1.0 class and Miller Jewish Heritage on Monday evenings. You will also enjoy Shabbat experiences and field trips.

Hands on Judaism, Hebrew 1.0, and Miller Jewish Heritage are required as a part of the program. Enrollment is on an ongoing basis.

## Experiences & Skills

### Haftarah Trope

**Instructor:** Naomi Weiss-Weil  
**Tuesdays beginning February 28; 7:00-8:00pm**  
**Fee:** \$65/Member; \$75/Non-Member

Come learn to chant the beautiful melodies for Haftarah/ the Prophetic Shabbat and Festival readings. The ability to read Hebrew is required and the ability to stay on key is a real plus! There will be plenty of opportunities to use your newfound skills.

### Hebrew 1.0

**Instructor:** Cantor Liz Berke  
**Mondays, January 16 - March 20; 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.**  
**Fee:** \$65/Member; \$75/Non-Member

Learn the Aleph Bet and vowels to start on the road to reading Hebrew, all in a fun light-hearted atmosphere.

### Hebrew 1.5

**Instructor:** Miron Hirsch  
**Mondays, January 16 - March 20; 6:00-6:45pm**  
**Fee:** \$65/Member | \$75/Non-Member

For students who have met the Aleph-Bet, but want to improve their reading skills and learn how Hebrew words work, we have the class for you. We'll start right where the Learn to Read Hebrew course left off. We will meet the prefixes, suffixes, and other bits of grammar that help Hebrew readers figure out subject, tense, and number. We will add to that some daily greetings both modern and ancient. Then we will mix in the basics of Hebrew roots and make time for more practice reading. Stir that all together, and you have the class that will add to your comfort in reading, hearing, and even speaking Hebrew.

## Jewish Book Council

### Aviv Harkov | A Taste of Torah Thursday, January 26; 7:00pm

This unique cookbook offers a weekly portion of great food, divrei Torah, and Jewish stories based on the parasha—to enjoy with the whole family. A Taste of Torah allows you to cook up quality time with your kids and shows you how sweet and simple it is to celebrate Shabbat together as a family. Each parasha includes a gourmet recipe that fits perfectly on an elegant Shabbat table and comes with tips for preparing the dish with your sous chefs (children). Aviv will lead us in a discussion and prepare a delicious treat from the relevant Torah reading of the week.

### Ayelet Tsabari | The Best Place on Earth Monday, March 20; 7:00pm

Eleven spellbinding stories focus on Israel's Mizrahi Jews, featuring mothers and children, soldiers and bohemians, lovers and best friends, all searching for their place in the world. Absorbing, tender, and sharply observed, *The Best Place on Earth* infuses moments of sorrow with small moments of grace: a boy composes poetry in a bomb shelter, an old photo helps a girl make sense of her mother's rootless past. Tsabari's voice is gentle yet wise, illuminating the burdens of history, the strength of the heart, and our universal desire to belong. This is the spring selection for One Book, One Shul. Contact Amy Karp at [akarp@ansheemet.org](mailto:akarp@ansheemet.org) for additional information on One Book, One Shul, including meetings times and locations.

## Shabbat is Awesome

### Join us during Shabbat is Awesome for Continuing Education on the following dates:

Shabbat, January 14 • Shabbat, February 25 • Monday, April 17 (Passover is Awesome) • Thursday, June 1 (Shavuot is Awesome)

## Torah on Tap

**Are you part of our Young Adult community? In conjunction with Temple Shalom and Anshe Sholom, the rabbis will meet you at 7:00pm, once a month to relax and lead a discussion.**

Tuesday, January 10; Rabbi Weisblatt @ Diag  
Thursday, February 23; Rabb Russo @ Location TBD  
Tuesday, March 14; Rabbi Weisblatt @ Diag  
Thursday, April 27; Rabbi Chankin-Gould @ Location TBD  
Tuesday, May 16; Rabbi Weisblatt @ Diag  
Thursday, June 8 - Rabbi Wolkenfeld @ Location TBD

For information contact [eberke@ansheemet.org](mailto:eberke@ansheemet.org)

## About The Raymond Arbetman Center for Jewish Education

On Shavuot 5760, Anshe Emet Synagogue established the Raymond Arbetman Center for Adult Jewish Education. Having found a warm and inspiring spiritual home at Anshe Emet, Sylvia Arbetman determined that an endowment of adult Jewish learning was the most appropriate way to honor and perpetuate her husband's name.



The Raymond Arbetman Center for Jewish Education supports Anshe Emet's vision as a House of Worship, a House of Gathering, and a House of Learning, where Torah and all dimensions of Jewish life may be explored. We are pleased to honor the memory of Raymond Arbetman through the study and celebration of Jewish life.

## Online Learning Resources

### Did you know Anshe Emet has a YouTube channel?

Anshe Emet 3751 is full of sermons, discussions with our clergy, how-to's, and more! You can access it at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/AnsheEmet3751>

### Table Talk

American journalist, author of four books, and Anshe Emet congregant, Jonathan Eig prepares a commentary on the weekly Parsha. Printable PDFs can be found online at: [www.AnsheEmet.org/TableTalk](http://www.AnsheEmet.org/TableTalk).

### Stuck in Traffic? Cooking? Relaxing? Enjoy a podcast, learn and be entertained.

Moment Magazine recently came out with a list of Top Ten Jewish Podcasts.

### These include:

Can We Talk?  
Is it Good for the Jews?  
Israel Story  
On the Other Hand: Ten Minutes of Torah  
Ronna and Beverly  
Too Jewish  
The Kibitz  
The Joy of Text  
Person Place Thing  
Responsa Radio  
The Promised Podcast

### The comments on this list also include:

Unorthodox  
The Book of Life  
Judaism Unbound  
Streetwise Hebrew

# Meet Our Instructors



## Rabbi Michael Siegel

Our Senior Rabbi at Anshe Emet, Rabbi Siegel was ordained by the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, where he received his Masters Degree in Hebrew Letters. Rabbi Siegel came to Anshe Emet in 1982 as Assistant Rabbi and was named Senior Rabbi in 1990. Rabbi Siegel has acquired a large following of devoted students in his 30+ years at Anshe Emet. In 2009, he was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity by the Jewish Theological Seminary, recognizing twenty-five years of service to the Jewish Community.

## Cantor Elizabeth Berke



Cantor Liz is Anshe Emet's Director of Continuing Education. She is originally from Rochester, NY, and graduated from Cornell University with Distinction in All Subjects, majoring in History. She attended the JTS, where she was invested as a Hazzan and also completed a Masters in Jewish Education. Liz's thesis was an examination of curricula for conversion programs. For over 20 years Liz has been involved in Jewish education both administratively and in the classroom.

## Rabbi D'ror Chankin-Gould



Rabbi Chankin-Gould received his BA in Sociology from Pitzer College in Claremont, California. During his tenure at Ziegler, he was selected as a Wexner Graduate Fellowship. While at Ziegler, Rabbi Chankin-Gould served as a classroom teacher, retreat director, and curriculum author for Los Angeles Hebrew High. He also served as an education fellow at the Brandeis Collegiate Institute and as the Student Rabbi at Temple Beth Am. Rabbi Chankin-Gould was ordained by the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies in 2013.

## Beth Fishman



Beth Fishman, PhD in Clinical Psychology, is currently the Manager of the Jewish Center for Addiction at JCFS and a Jewish Spirituality group facilitator at SunCloud Health. One of her roles at JCFS engages her in education and outreach to the Jewish community on addiction-related topics.

## Miron Hirsch



Born and raised in Chicago, Miron may just be as funny in the classroom as you have heard. Miron has a BA in Religious Studies from the University of Illinois, as well as a Masters in Jewish Education from Spertus College. Miron's connections with Conservative Judaism include nearly 20 years on staff with Camp Ramah and two years of study at the Conservative Yeshiva in Jerusalem. Miron has worked for the Community Foundation for Jewish Education of Metropolitan Chicago, taught for Melton and Hartman programs, and occasionally is a guest teacher at Loyola University.

## Gary Porton



Gary Porton was director of the Program for the Study of Religion and Professor of Religious Studies, History, and Comparative Literature at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. Since moving to Chicago with his wife Fraeda they have become an integral part of the Anshe Emet community and enjoy the company of their children and grandchildren, both local and in the rest of the country.

## Rabbi David Russo



Rabbi Russo was born and raised in Hamilton, Ontario. He graduated from Toronto's York University with a Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies. In 2013, David completed his rabbinical studies and a Master's degree in Talmud and Rabbinics at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. David spent a year in Israel on the Nativ program, and again as a rabbinical student through JTS.

## Naomi Weiss-Weil



Naomi Weiss is a student in the Cantors Assembly CICA program, working towards investment as a Cantor. She has worked for 13 years as a free-lance song leader and cantorial soloist. She has tutored hundreds of b'nai mitzvah students at Beth Emet, Anshe Emet, JRC, Chicago Sinai, and Temple Sholom. She is currently Anshe Emet Synagogue's Ritual Director.

## Sarah Wolf



Sarah Wolf is a doctoral student in Rabbinic Judaism in the department of Religious Studies at Northwestern University. She has studied halakha and rabbinics at the Jewish Theological Seminary, the Schechter Institute of Advanced Jewish Studies, Hebrew University, the Drisha Institute for Jewish Education, and Yeshivat Hadar. Sarah received her B.A. in Literature from Yale University.






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# January 2017

## Tevet-Shevat 5777

January 2017

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>7 Tevet</b> <b>5</b> <b>6:50 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Shireinu <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Al Anon <b>No Religious School</b>	<b>8 Tevet</b> <b>6</b> <b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan <b>8:45 a.m.</b> Lerner's of Torah w/Rabbi Siegel <b>5:45 p.m.</b> Family Service, followed by Dinner <b>7:15 p.m.</b> YAD Service, followed by Dinner  4:17 p.m.	<b>9 Tevet</b> <b>7</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Tefilla Yoga <b>9:00 a.m.</b> JBC <b>9:00 a.m.</b> Parashat Hashavuah <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Shabbat Morning Service <b>Torah:</b> Genesis 44:18 - 47:27 (Vayigash) <b>Haftarah:</b> Ezekiel 37:15 - 37:28 <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Rose Crown Minyan <b>10:00 a.m.</b> Shalom Shabbat <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Ruach/Jr. Cong. <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Shachar Tefilla Yoga <b>1:15 p.m.</b> Shabbat Mincha
<b>14 Tevet</b> <b>12</b> <b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan <b>4:00 p.m.</b> Religious School <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Shireinu <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Al Anon	<b>15 Tevet</b> <b>13</b> <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 <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Lakeview Minyan Service and Potluck <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Shabbat as You Are and Potluck  4:25 p.m.	<b>16 Tevet</b> <b>14</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Tefilla Yoga <b>9:00 a.m.</b> JBC <b>9:00 a.m.</b> Parashat Hashavuah <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Shabbat Morning Service <b>Elijah Koller becomes a Bar Mitzvah</b> <b>Torah:</b> Genesis 47:28 - 50:26 (Vayechi) <b>Haftarah:</b> I Kings 2:1 - 2:12 <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Rose Crown Minyan <b>10:00 a.m.</b> Shalom Shabbat <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Ruach/Jr. Congregation <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Shachar <b>1:00 p.m.</b> Shabbat is Awesome <b>1:15 p.m.</b> Shabbat Mincha
<b>21 Tevet</b> <b>19</b> <b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan <b>4:00 p.m.</b> Religious School <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Shireinu <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Al Anon	<b>22 Tevet</b> <b>20</b> <b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan <b>8:45 a.m.</b> Lerner's of Torah w/Rabbi Siegel <b>6:00 p.m.</b> SHMUSY-Teen Kabbalat Shabbat and Dinner <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Shabbat Evening Service <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Anshe Emet Live  4:33 p.m.	<b>23 Tevet</b> <b>21</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Tefilla Yoga <b>9:00 a.m.</b> JBC <b>9:00 a.m.</b> Parashat Hashavuah <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Shabbat Morning Service <b>Spencer Phillips becomes a Bar Mitzvah</b> <b>Torah:</b> Exodus 1:1 - 6:1 (Shemot) <b>Haftarah:</b> Isaiah 27:6 - 28:13; 29:22 - 29:23 <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Rose Crown Minyan <b>10:00 a.m.</b> Shalom Shabbat <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Ruach/Jr. Congregation <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Shachar Tefilla Yoga <b>1:15 p.m.</b> Shabbat Mincha <b>4:00 p.m.</b> Mincha - Mollie Dubner becomes a Bat Mitzvah
<b>28 Tevet</b> <b>26</b> <b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Minyan <b>4:00 p.m.</b> Religious School <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Shireinu <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Jewish Book Club Speaker-Aviv Harkov <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Al Anon	<b>29 Tevet</b> <b>27</b> <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 <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Lakeview Minyan Service and Potluck  4:42 p.m.	<b>1 Shevat Rosh Chodesh Shevat</b> <b>28</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Tefilla Yoga <b>9:00 a.m.</b> Parashat Hashavuah <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Shabbat Morning Service <b>Torah:</b> Exodus 6:2 - 9:35 (Vaera); Numbers 28:9-15 <b>Haftarah:</b> Isaiah 66:1 - 66:24 <b>9:30 a.m.</b> Rose Crown Minyan <b>Gabriella DeKoven becomes a Bat Mitzvah</b> <b>10:00 a.m.</b> Shalom Shabbat <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Ruach/Jr. Congregation <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Shachar <b>1:15 p.m.</b> Shabbat Mincha <b>4:00 p.m.</b> Mincha - Zoe Weiss becomes a Bat Mitzvah

### Looking ahead ...

**Sunday, February 5: Men's Clubs World Wide Wrap**

**February 24-25: Sisterhood Shabbat**

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



## Men's Club Menschen/Mention

Our Anshe Emet Men's Club had a great time at the United Center on Monday, November 30 as we cheered our hearts out for the Chicago Bulls as they played the Los Angeles Lakers. Unfortunately, the prayers of our 30 attendees were not answered, and L.A. won—96 to 90. Nevertheless, it always is a fun time, especially as we saw "Anshe Emet Men's Club" flashed on the giant scoreboard and we each received a souvenir photo of 3 of the Bulls players. Some of us even won a "Chia Pet Niko"—an actual Chia Pet of Bulls player Nikola Mirotic. Except for the green color, his Chia Pet beard gives him a bit of a Chasidic look. It doesn't get much better than that. Now to figure out what to do with it. Don't be surprised if you find these at the next Purim carnival.

Our next main Men's Club event will be on **Monday, January 23, at 7:00 p.m.**, at Anshe Emet. We will be hosting a presentation by Jerry Markbreit about his stellar 33-year career in the National Football League as we munch on pizza and assorted beverages. As one of the few Jewish referees to officiate in the NFL, Jerry's talk will be of special interest to our members. The proceeds of this event will be donated to the B'nai B'rith Scholarship Fund for Jewish high school students who play a varsity sport to help them on their way to college. Don't miss this exciting evening in the local annals of Chicago sports history!

The Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs annual World Wide Wrap will be held on **Sunday morning, February 5**. Once again we will come together on the same Sunday morning with Men's Club members all over the world for instruction on the proper way of putting on tefillin followed by a morning minyan prayer service. If your tefillin skills are somewhat rusty since your Bar/Bat Mitzvah days or you would like to feel connected to the Jewish community all over the world, then you will especially want to be at Anshe Emet for this event.

We are very pleased and proud to announce **our honorees for the Federation's Midwest Region Annual Man/Youth of the Year—Gregg Pollack and Charlie Sinder**, respectively. The Regional award brunch will be held on March 19, and we will provide you with biographies and RSVP information as it gets closer to the event.

Keep an eye out for two of our other famous Men's Club events—the Annual Talent Show featuring the stars of Anshe Emet in February and a "MEN, MEAT, and MIDRASH" event at Milt's BBQ where we always enjoy a lively discussion on a Judaic topic of interest with one of our clergy while relishing a great Kosher meal with congregational friends. If you would like to be featured in the Talent Show, then please contact Larry Kosova (lkosova@yahoo.com) or Barry Balik (bmbguy03@yahoo.com). This is your big chance in show business.

We hope you and your family had a very Happy Hanukkah and you are on your way toward a great secular New Year that you will share with us. If you have not already done so, you may become a member of our Men's Club at your earliest convenience. Please attend and support our events as you see our ads in the synagogue emails and Bulletins so we may build a stronger Anshe Emet Jewish community. Also feel free to contact us at mensclub@ansheemet.org to provide your input and find out the latest about our events. We are only as successful as you make us.

**For more information on any upcoming events, email mensclub@ansheemet.org.**

## 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.*

### News and Upcoming Events

**YAD First Friday Shabbat Services and Dinner**, Friday, January 6, 7:15 p.m. \$5 for YAD Members, \$15 for non-members!

**Torah on Tap**, Tuesday, January 10, 7:00 p.m. at The DIAG Bar with Temple Sholom's Makom and Rabbi Jeremy Weissblatt

Interested in joining YAD? Contact Amy Karp at akarp@ansheemet.org

**Samantha Isenstein, Youth and Young Adult Director**



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## Prepare for the Annual Sisterhood Shabbat Service

Mark your calendars for our Annual Sisterhood Shabbat service and Sisterhood sponsored kiddush lunch on February 25, 2017. Under the guidance of the Anshe Emet clergy, women will lead all parts of the morning service in the main Sanctuary, starting 9:30 a.m.

Please plan to attend and participate (you don't have to be Sisterhood members to take part in service). Here is the list of "parts" available at the service:

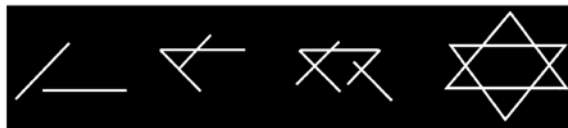
*Lead Shacharit  
Reading Torah (8 readers needed)  
Chant Haftarah (and bless the  
Maftir Aliyah)  
Carry Torah from Ark  
Returning Torah to Ark  
Lift the Torah*

*Wrap the Torah  
Prayer for Israel  
Prayer for Our Country  
Lead Ein Kelohaynu  
Aleinu  
Adon Olam  
Lead Kiddush and Motzi*

For information, contact Larisa Kenen at larisak@gmail.com.

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# Adult Programming



## Get Involved!

The Sisterhood is looking for a few good Sisters! If you are interested in getting involved, planning a program or being a part of our new generation to generation mentoring program, please contact Marlene Reid Kosova, Sisterhood President, at mreiddpm@gmail.com.

## Events

Please join us for the following upcoming events:

### Thursday, January 26: A Taste of Torah

The Sisterhood, in conjunction with AE and Jewish Book Council, will join Aviv Harkov, using her new cookbook which combines recipes tied to the Torah portions of the week in discussing the relevance of Va'era to the delicious recipe that we will be preparing together.

### Sunday, February 12, 11:15 a.m., Sisterhood Mentoring Program

Are you uncomfortable about what an Aliyah is or what it means? You are not alone! As part of the AE Sisterhood Mentoring Program, we want to provide a learning opportunity to explore and understand what it means to bless the Torah. Please join the Anshe Emet Sisterhood on Sunday, February 12, at 11:15 a.m., in the main sanctuary as Cantor Liz Berke unpacks both the meaning and the words of what it means to "be going up and receiving" an Aliyah. This event is intended to make everyone comfortable with being on the Bimah and with the honor of receiving an Aliyah at the Sisterhood Shabbat on February 25 or any time the opportunity presents! Reading Hebrew is not necessary, a transliteration is always provided. We coordinated the timing so that Religious School moms can attend right before pick up!

### Thursday, February 16: Challah Bake at AES!

Get ready to roll up your sleeves and learn to make challah as we knead, roll and braid together in this Rosh Hodesh program.

### February 24-25: Sisterhood Shabbat

We hope you will join us as either a participant or congregant as we celebrate Shabbat together. Each year, the women of Anshe Emet come together in both the main sanctuary and Rose Crown to celebrate our Sisterhood, our womanhood and Shabbat. This year will be even more special as we plan to extend the program even further!

Have you ever wanted to go up to the Torah for an Aliyah but never had an opportunity? Are you looking for a meaningful way to participate in the Sisterhood Shabbat but don't speak Hebrew or aren't comfortable committing to something you would have to do by yourself? Are you ready to experience the joy, and the honor, of approaching the Torah as the Torah is read? If the answer to any of these questions is yes, please accept our invitation to be honored with an Aliyah at this year's Sisterhood Shabbat on February 25! Please let Marlene Reid, Sisterhood President, know of your interest at mreiddpm@gmail.com.

### March 28: Chocolate Seder with Hadassah

So many women have been asking for a Sisterhood Seder and this year we are joining with Hadassah in the City to bring you a Chocolate Seder for an evening that promises to be rich, smooth and filled with sweetness!

*\*For more information on the Mentoring Program or to become involved with the Sisterhood, please contact Marlene Reid at mreiddpm@gmail.com*

## Sisterhood Book Discussion Group: Spring 2017

I am a 2016/2017 Sisterhood member and plan to participate in the three sessions. I have enclosed a check made payable to Anshe Emet Bridge 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 Bridge Sisterhood for \$90.

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Please return this form to the office at Anshe Emet Synagogue

Attention: Gail Kahn

## Programs

**College Connection: Calling All AES College Students or Parents of College Students.** Help Anshe Emet keep in touch with your student during the school year. We mail fun holiday packages (real mail)! Send your name, your students name, full college mailing address & email to aecollegeconnection@gmail.com.

**Book Club:** The Bridge Sisterhood reading group completed our fall discussion with Magda Szabo's brilliant novel, *The Door*. Rachel Jacobsohn, who has been our facilitator since 2002, has provided us with a most interesting list for our spring session. We always welcome new members. If you are interested in joining the group please contact Judy Metzger at Hgmet1@aol.com.

- Thursday, April 6: *A Fairly Good Time*, by Mavis Gallant. Shirley Perrigny is an original. Derided by the Parisians she lives among and chided by her fellow Canadians, this young widow—recently remarried to a French journalist named Philippe—is fond of quoting Jane Austen and Kingsley Amis and of using her myopia as a defense against social aggression. As the fixed points in Shirley's life begin to recede—Philippe having apparently though not definitively left—her freewheeling, makeshift, and self-abnegating ways come to seem an aspect of devotion to her fellow man.
- Thursday, May 4: *The Little Red Chairs*, Edna O'Brien. One night, in the dead of winter, a mysterious stranger arrives in the small Irish town of Cloonoila. Broodingly handsome, worldly, and charismatic, Dr. Vladimir Dragan is a poet, a self-proclaimed holistic healer, and a welcome disruption to the monotony of village life. Before long, the beautiful black-haired Fidelma McBride falls under his spell and, defying the shackles of wedlock and convention, turns to him to cure her of her deepest pains. Then, one morning, the illusion is abruptly shattered.
- Thursday, June 1: *The Last Painting of Sara de Vos*, Dominic Smith. Dominic Smith deftly bridges the historical and the contemporary, tracking a collision course between a rare landscape by a female Dutch painter of the golden age, an inheritor of the work in 1950s Manhattan, and a celebrated art historian who painted a forgery of it in her youth.

**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 Monday Night Mah Jongg

If you are interested in coordinating the Sisterhood's Mah Jongg program, please contact Helene Greenwald at hgreenwa@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.

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

*Elizabeth Cline, Communications*



## From Amy Karp

**Director of Engagement  
and The Malkin Family  
Program Director**  
akarp@AnsheEmet.org

We are a community filled with learners, readers and cultural enthusiasts. As we started this year, we notified our congregants of the commitment we made to the Jewish Book Council and have reaped the benefits of several speakers including Danya Ruttenberg, Josh Aronson and Paul Goldberg. As part of the book selection, more than 55 adults studied the book by Paul as part of the One Book One Shul program.

A new season is beginning and so are new speakers coming to town as well as a new book selection for the One Book One Shul initiative. Ayelet Tsabari, wrote a book of short stories called, *The Best Place on Earth*. From Israel to India to Canada, Tsabari's indelible characters grapple with love, violence,

faith, the slipperiness of identity, and the challenges of balancing old traditions with modern times. These eleven spellbinding stories often focus on Israel's Mizrahi Jews, featuring mothers and children, soldiers and bohemians, lovers and best friends, all searching for their place in the world.

New book groups will be forming that will start in January on Sunday with Jon Zidel, Monday with Dalia Hoffman, Tuesday with Susan Weininger. Ayelet will be at Anshe Emet on March 20 for a lecture about her book so I hope you will join us.

As a side note, there are over 100 books that were given to AES from the Jewish Book Council that are on three shelves in the library. Please feel free to borrow as you wish.

### Upcoming Events:

- January 22: The Shalom Hartman Institute series begins: iEngage-Foundations for a New Relationship. Program is free for members and includes a continental breakfast. To register go to <http://tinyurl.com/hartman2017>
- January 26: Aviv Harkov, author of *A Taste of Torah*, will be talking about recipes that relate to Parsha of the Week
- February 16: The Great AES Challah Bake
- February 25: Screening of the movie "Dough"
- March 11: Megillah Reading and party
- March 14: JUF Speaker, Jeffrey Goldberg sponsored by all city congregations.
- March 19: Kaplan Concert
- March 20: Ayelet Tsabari

*Amy Karp*

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

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773-868-5126. Thank you!**

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**The family of Arthur Aeder**, beloved father of Jeff (Jennifer Levine) Aeder; loving grandfather of Mollie, Clara, George and Sadie, on his recent passing.

**The family of Anni Rodin**, beloved stepmother of Sheila Rodin-Novak, on her recent passing.

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**May their memory be for a blessing**

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**Anne Birkett and Alex Siegel** on the birth of their son, **Edwin "Teddy" Nobel Siegel**.

**Mark Algonik, Matthew Winstone** (and older brother, Samuel George) on the birth of their son, **Oliver Robert Algonik**.

**Jennifer and Martin Wasserman** (and older brother Micah) on the birth of their son, **Noah Jack**.

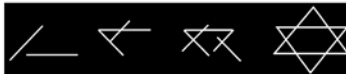
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
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