As Jews, we spend a great deal of time delving into the stories of the Torah. Our parents and teachers shared these stories when we were young, and as we get older, we hear these tales with different ears. The challenges of family, of sibling rivalry may appear one way when we are adolescents, and then take on a very different meaning as parents or grandparents. The power of an archetypal story is that it grows with us. But there is another story that we rarely think about. That is the story of the Torah scroll itself and how it made its way to find a home in a particular synagogue.

Each scroll has its own tale to tell of those whose generosity provided a Torah to a community. Over the years, the stories of that Torah will compound as B'nai Mitzvah read from it, as wedding couples are blessed before it and children are named in its presence. These thoughts occurred to me after our congregation received an unexpected gift of a Torah. But more about that later.

Anshe Emet is blessed to have a number of Torahs, and each one has a story. Outside of the ark in the sanctuary are two Sephardic-style Torahs. Unlike the Ashkenazic Torah, these are housed in their own miniature ark. They are designed to be read standing up. On the outside of the one encased in silver, there is a beautiful dedication from when it was originally gifted to the synagogue. Unfortunately, we do not know which synagogue, or where it was located; only that it traveled many miles to be in our community. What we do know from the inscription is that the Torah was created in memory of a man by the name of Daniel Asis, who loved the study of Torah, in 1916. When I stand before the ark, I openly stare at that Torah and admire the craftsmanship of that case, and wonder about that family. How proud they must have been when that Torah was dedicated. How surprised they would be to know that Daniel Asis is still being remembered and that the story of that Torah is still being written so far from its origin.

There is another Torah in our ark that we read from regularly. It was commissioned by Richard Solomon more than a decade ago. I well remember the day when Richard spoke of his wish to have a new Torah written for the congregation in honor of his son's upcoming Bar Mitzvah. As a renowned architect, Richard was specific in his design. It was important to him that the Torah be small enough to be carried easily by a B'nai Mitzvah. There was an additional reason that Richard wanted to create this Torah. He had suffered a serious illness over the years, and told me that part of the reason that he wanted to dedicate a Torah was in gratitude for his recovery. I remember the day that we gathered in the sanctuary and Richard sat at a table set on the Bimah and finished the last letter of the Torah. He was absolutely beaming. Sadly, Richard died not long after the Torah was dedicated, but his son Ethan, now an adult, reads from that scroll quite regularly. No matter what story Ethan is reading at the time, I find myself thinking of the story about the Torah, a beautiful act of honoring a parent, and the love of a father for the tradition and his family.

A few weeks ago, our congregation received its newest Torah. Phil and Nancy Resnick, along with their children, Josh, Blake and Ashley, have recently made Anshe Emet their spiritual home. A few weeks ago, Phil called to tell me that his family wanted to bring a new Torah to Anshe Emet. He explained that when Ashley became a Bat Mitzvah, he and Nancy had a Torah
CELEBRATIONS/EVENTS

The 144th Annual Meeting of the Anshe Emet Synagogue took place on Tuesday, June 13. Above left, Rabbi Michael Siegel addresses the meeting. Above right, The Milton Brown Distinguished Service Award winners are honored. From left, Elesheva Soloff, Neil Schwartz, Sam Schwartz-Fenwick, Rabbi David Russo, and Rabbi D’ror Chankin-Gould.

Rabbi Michael Siegel leads a Morning Minyan service.

Na’aseh, the volunteer social action arm of Anshe Emet Synagogue, does some heavy lifting as part of its Refugee Resettlement project.

MAZEL TOV TO OUR B’NAI MITZVAH

Micah Becker
August 5, 2017
Daughter of Michelle & Leonard Becker

Nathan Becker
August 5, 2017
Son of Michelle & Leonard Becker

Zachary Shashoua
August 26, 2017
Son of Andrea & Abraham Shashoua

Has your address, phone number or e-mail changed?
Please let us know by calling the synagogue office at 773-868-5126. Thank you!
Friends,

I write this on a day when I turn a year older and a day when I say goodbye to a close friend ... Libby Mages. Given that many of you did not know her personally, let me “introduce” you to her.

Born in Milwaukee in 1924, Libby grew up in the Great Depression. To be sure, like many others, such as my parents, this experience shaped her. She was careful to buy items on sale. She scrutinized every restaurant bill. No matter what she eventually had, she was appreciative and grateful. Her first instinct was to share. And to be sure, she was most appreciative not of material things but of family and people. As her daughter Wendy and I sat with her as she lay in a hospital bed waiting to die, Wendy said, “When my Mom loved you, she loved you with every fiber of her being.”

Libby was quite a role model. Women who were born in 1924 had little chance to educate themselves through graduate school, teach at the college level, run a private practice (in speech therapy) while raising two children on her own.

But most people will remember her for seizing an opportunity and following her passion: Theater. She produced countless plays including “Black Patent Leather Shoes” and “Thoroughly Modern Millie,” for which she won a Tony Award. Only three years ago, at the age of 90, she co-produced “Bridges of Madison County” on Broadway. She served for decades on the Tony and Jeff committees and was truly the Grand Dame of Chicago theater. As she once said to me, “I never tell people my age; they look at you differently.” She was irrepressible right until the end.

But far more important than the education, the professional accomplishments and the successes in the theater, Libby was one of the most compelling people that I will ever know. Her love was boundless, her advice was wise, her zeal to have fun was unstoppable. Perhaps my older son Alex summarized it best when he wrote on this day that we say goodbye, “when I was with Libby, I felt like a better person.”

This life worth living becomes central to our mission as we prepare for the High Holy Days. Libby couldn’t quote chapter and verse, but she was Jewish through and through. Her humility, boundless love, commitment to welcome the stranger, character and wisdom defy description. She made people better. She made the world better. I know that I have some work to do in the coming weeks to be my best self and to make a difference. I guess that we all have work to do together. As my wife Linda concluded her eulogy, “I know that the show must go on, but the show will never be the same without you, Libby.”

In the June/July issue of the Anshe Emet Newsletter, Ethan Kahn’s name was misspelled in the President’s column. We offer our sincere apologies and our thanks again for support of this year’s Arnold H. Kaplan Concert.

If you would like to receive an honor on the High Holy Days, please contact Naomi Richman at nrichman@ansheemet.org, 773-868-5122

Communication Request

WE care about your engagement at Anshe Emet and want to make sure you are current with all the AES News and Events.

We know that many of you depend on this Newsletter for almost all of your Anshe Emet news and may not see the email and social media updates that we publish.

If you are strictly a paper newsletter reader, we want to know, so that we can find the best ways to bring you the latest updates!

Please call Tamar at 773-868-5126 and give her your name and phone number so we can keep you in the loop!
THE TOP TEN IN JEWISH PHILOSOPHY:
MEETING THE MOST IMPORTANT THINKERS IN JEWISH HISTORY

Rabbi Joshua Heschel coined the title for one of his books, Man's Quest for God (please excuse the gendered “Man” as opposed to what he means, “People” or Humanity”). Rabbi Heschel’s title evokes some of the most common questions that people have – why are we here? What is the meaning of our existence? Where is God in our world?

We are honored at Anshe Emet to have many great scholars in Jewish Studies who are members of our synagogue. One of those esteemed scholars is Dr. Norbert Samuelson. Dr. Samuelson is a scholar of Jewish philosophy, with particular expertise in the scholarship of the history of Western philosophy, Jewish Aristotelians (Maimonides and Gersonides), and with modern thinkers such as Franz Rosenzweig. He is Professor Emeritus at Arizona State University, having held the Grossman Chair of Jewish Studies there.

We are so excited that Dr. Samuelson will teach a class once a month for ten sessions on Shabbat (Saturday) mornings following services and lunch. The first one will be on Shabbat (Saturday), August 26, after Kiddush lunch (approximately 1:15 p.m.). Each class will present a different Jewish philosopher, including the likes of Philo, Saadia Gaon, Judah Halevi, Maimonides, Gersonides, Benedict Spinoza, Martin Buber, Hermann Cohen, Franz Rosenzweig, Abraham Joshua Heschel, Mordecai Kaplan, and more. No prior knowledge is required.

We invite you to come and learn – to understand more about these legendary thinkers and their perspectives on our world. Because by exploring their views in the past, perhaps we can gain a better understanding of life’s greatest questions.

MEET THE 2017 MILTON BROWN AWARD HONOREES

The Milton Brown Distinguished Service Awards were presented at the 144th Annual Meeting of the Anshe Emet Synagogue, on Tuesday, June 13. The Milton Brown Distinguished Service Award was created a number of years ago to honor the quiet heroes of Anshe Emet. Milton Brown was such a hero. He was involved in all aspects of our congregation, from the Men’s Club to the morning minyan. Moreover, Milton was always ready to welcome someone to the community with a warm handshake and a joke or quip. Milton died suddenly, and we celebrate his memory by honoring those who distinguish themselves by their volunteerism and their giving spirit.

Neil Schwartz
Neil Schwartz’s wife Adrienne says that Anshe Emet is Neil’s second home. When he retired he made a promise to himself to attend daily minyan, and the he has kept this promise. Neil has taught English to Russians in the Mollie Dubin Class, and currently is an Anshe Emet Synagogue Board Member and also serves on the Finance and IT committees. Neil is a lifelong learner and always attends Talmud class and other offerings in the Adult Ed Program at Anshe Emet and elsewhere in Chicago. During the summer of 2014 he spent three weeks at Pardes in Jerusalem. This year he will be going to the Hartman Institute in Israel.

Sam Schwartz-Fenwick
Sam Schwartz-Fenwick is a Minnesota native who has proudly called Chicago home for the past 15 years. Sam lives in Lakeview with his husband Steve and their 6 year-old daughter Eve. Sam’s parents, Jan and Alan, have retired to Chicago and are proud members of Anshe Emet. Sam is also a religious school parent, who can be found most Shabbat mornings at the service led by Rabbi Donni Aaron.

Sam works as a partner in the labor and employment group of Seyfarth Shaw. Sam loves the Anshe Emet community. He is a co-chair of the La’Atid task-force, and is on the Anshe Emet community retreat planning committee. He is the president of the board of directors of Unsilence, a national non-profit that works to create empowering learning experiences for youth and the public, and teach educators and community leaders, to spark dialogue, support critical thinking, and build empathy to inspire healing and social change. Sam is also on the executive committee of United Pride, the LGBT arm of United Way.

Elesheva Soloff
A Chicago native, Elesheva Soloff returned to Chicago three years ago with her professional home and office organizing company, Soloff Space Solutions. Previously, Elesheva was a consultant for the Institute for Community Inclusion at UMass Boston, training leaders in AmeriCorps and other service programs on including people with disabilities in their programs. She is an alum of Solomon Schecter Day School, Camp Ramah and Lane Tech. Elesheva holds a BA in Cultural Anthropology and Art History from the University of Michigan. She is a member of Anshe Emet and co-chair of Kehillah Kedosha, Anshe Emet’s Inclusion Committee.
WELCOME LAURIE ORENSTEIN, RELIGIOUS SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

“Elisha the son of Abuyah would say: One who learns Torah in his childhood, what is this comparable to? To ink inscribed on fresh paper”

*Pirkei Avot 4:20*

The task of teaching Torah to our children is more precious than any other. They are indeed, fresh paper: they are hungry for our guidance, for the richness of our tradition, for input that will shape what sorts of Jews they will ultimately become. So choosing teachers, and all the more so, a principal, is a sacred task. Our principal must be someone we trust to honor our children, to nurture them, to see their goodness, and to help them grow. We are so blessed to have found such a teacher.

We are so proud and pleased to announce that Anshe Emet Synagogue has hired a new Interim Religious School Principal. Laurie Goldberg Orenstein began her position at Anshe Emet in early July.

Laurie comes to us with years of incredible experience in Jewish leadership. She served as Director of Israel Program Admissions for Jewish National Fund, worked for 7 years at the Jewish Community Centers of Chicago as Director of Children and Family Engagement, and even has a background in camp directing at the Stone JCC! Laurie has a Masters Degree in Non Profit Management from Spertus. Laurie has a kind heart, an open mind, and a deep passion for Jewish education and engagement. Please join us in welcoming her to Anshe Emet.

Much gratitude is due to our hiring committee: Dani Lazar, Sam Schwartz-Fenwick, and Cantor Liz Berke.

We are all so excited to witness the ways in which Laurie’s leadership will be a blessing to our children, our teachers, our families, and our entire congregation.

To be in touch with Laurie, you can email her at lorenstein@ansheemet.org or call her at 773-868-5131.

Mazal Tov to all of us and this wonderful new chapter!

*Rabbi D’ror Chankin-Gould*

NEW POP-UP EVENT

COMMUNICATION

Anshe Emet is fortunate to recruit a number of last minute opportunities throughout the year (i.e. speakers, book reviews, lectures, etc.). These events are usually made available so quickly, 5-7 days before the event, and don’t allow us the time to include them in our usual communication vehicles. Therefore, to make sure these stand out as new events, we will start calling them POP-UP EVENTS.

We are always excited to share these special times with our congregants so we will have two quick ways to communicate these to you as soon as they are available:

1. Email: Subject line will read POP-UP EVENT
2. Website Calendar
3. Website POP-UP Box: A special POP-UP box like the one pictured below will appear at the top of the website, just below the horizontal photos.

Please make it a point to check your emails and the AES website on an ongoing basis to ensure that you won't miss out on any of these special events.

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We are fortunate to have generous members of our community who keep us in mind when reading. Nina Bell recently donated *Jewish Views of the Afterlife* by Simcha Paull Raphael, which had been a part of her husband Jack’s z”l library. Sandra Silva read the thought-provoking book *The Genius of Judaism* by Bernard-Henri Levy, and thought so much of it that she thought we should have a copy. She donated it in her name along with Abe Plotnick, Max Plotnick, Jennifer Silva, Janelle Silva and Sara Wilson.

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**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 May.

Many Abrams; Ben Abrams; Fran Abramson; Sara & Chuck Aron; Bruce Aronson; Barry Balik; Jane Basewitz; Eve Becker; Terry Behrman; Janet Cohen; Steve Durschlag; Norm Eckstein; Jonathan Efron; Jonathan Efron; Arthur Elstein; Chuck Finkelstein; Art Friedson; Ezra Furman; Christa Georgeson; Cynthia Goldberg; Gail and Dan Golden; Barbara Gressel; Maxine Handelman; Debby Hecht; Richard Herman; Daniel Hernandez; Sarah Hirsh; Bruce Kaminsky; Josh; Barbara; Leo Kantrow; David Katz; Joy Leff; Jay Lewkowitz; Jane Lippow; Alan Mintz; Laura Neiman Rifkin; Chris Norton; Yiftach Ofek; Francisco Ortiz-Perez; Shelly Parker; Gary & Fraeda Porton; Dan Pullik; John Ragir; Leonard, Ruth, Nina Rau; Jack Rodgon; Robert Rodgon; Sharon Rosen; Alan Rosen; Esther Rosenbloom; Susan Rosenstein; Lisa Roth; Gerry & Judy Salzman; Neil Schwartz; Carolyn Schwarzkopf; Abby Seitz; Ian Selden; Howard Shuman; Yedida Soloff; Ed Solomon; Jason Star; Phil Stern; Abe Trieger; Helen Ullman; David Weil; Jacob Wilkenfeld; Stew Witkov; Michael, Marcy, Jack Zoller.

We thank these people for their support during June.

Carolyn & Jonathan & Aidan Aberman; Ben Abrams; Manya Abrams; Fran Abramson; Bruce Arenson; Sara & Chuck Aron; Barry Balik; Yoel Benarosch; Lauren Benoist; Caryn Davis; Margie Deitch; Steve Durschlag; Jonathan Efron; Pierre Eillian; Rhoda Feldman; William Frank; David Frank; Art Friedson; Ezra Furman; Christa Georgeson; Cynthia Goldberg; Gail and Dan Golden; Rebecca Grais; Maxine Handelman; Nell Hawley; Debby Hecht; Richard Herman; Daniel Hernandez; Sarah Hirsh; Dalia Hoffman; Deborah Irvin; Bruce Kaminsky; Jeremy Kaplan; Debby Lewis; Roselind Lindau; Jane Lippow; Marcie Marcovitz; Alan Mintz; Len Mordfin; Laura Neiman Rifkin; Francisco Ortiz-Perez; Shelly Parker; Benji Pearson; Gary & Fraeda Porton; Dan Pullik; John Ragir; Don Robinson; Susan Rosenstein; Ricky Roth; Jerry & Judi Salzman; Neil Schwartz; Anna Seidman; Steve Silik; Tamara Sokolow; Ed Solomon; Roberta Star; Jason Star; Phil Stern; Danny Weisberg; Stew Witkov; Andrea Yablon; Cheryl & Brian Zacharias; Margie.

**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 May [this does not include our Bar/Bat Mitzvah students].


For the month of June:


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**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, or 773-868-5119.

**Any gift amount is welcome:** sponsorships of $500 or more will be specially acknowledged in the weekly Shabbat bulletin.

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**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!

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that lets customers enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com. The difference is that when customers shop on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organizations selected by customers.

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

August 7: Cantor Liz Berke
August 14: Elie Berkman
August 21: Rabbi D’ror Chankin-Gould
August 28: Rabbi Michael Siegel

Note: No HaZaK on Sept. 4, Labor Day

RAYMOND ARBETMAN CENTER FOR JEWISH EDUCATION

For more information on upcoming courses, and a listing of current classes, visit our website at: https://www.ansheemet.org/adulted.

CHECKING IN, AGAIN

Last year at Selichot we addressed the seven questions we are asked in heaven. Elul starts the night of August 22nd, when we begin the process of turning inward and looking back at 5777, so it is a good time to take a few minutes and check in with our seven questions again. Over the last year:

1. Were you honest?
2. Did you work on leaving a legacy?
3. Did you study?
4. Did you have hope in your heart?
5. Did you prioritize well?
6. Did you enjoy yourself?
7. Were you the best you you can be?

Since we have a few weeks before Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur you can move these to the front of your mind for the next few weeks. I know I will continue to ask myself these questions moving forward – they enhanced my experience of the year and made me conscious of certain choices. There is always more work to do!

Cantor Elizabeth Berke
Director of Continuing Education
ebileke@ansheemet.org

“For my ancestors planted for me before I was born, so do I plant for those who come after me.” – Talmud

Anshe Emet Dor L’Dor Society Members

Anonymous x 2
Shelli Aderman and Narda E. Alcorn
Frank Alschuler
Rabbi Aviva Berg and Arthur Bernberg
Ava and Jeff Berry
Lauren Brill z’l
Irene and Brian Caminer
Howard M. and Jerilyn S.Cohen
Stephen P. Durchslag

Barbara Gressel and Gary Wigoda
Karen and Jay Goodgold
Roslyn and Sam Grodzin
Jeanne G. Hollman
Deborah Ann Irwin
Joyce Leviton Asher
Carole Schecter & Steven Mayer
Barbara J. Miller
Myra “Susie” Moglowsky
Fraeda and Gary Porton
Lora Sanberg z’l

Susan and Alvin Schonfeld
Jennifer and Matthew Seidner
Dr. Norman z”l and Harriet Simon
Pam and David Simon
Linda Weil and Steven Silk
Penny and Seymour Turner
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SANAMTA ISENSTEIN
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WHAT’S HAPPENING IN ANSHE EMET YOUTH?

Sam and Megan had so much fun visiting our campers at Ramah Wisconsin. We hope that the end of your summer is going swimmingly! The Youth Department is gearing up and getting ready for the Fall. We cannot wait until we see you at our kick off programs this Fall! With the new school year, we are excited to start the formation of a new Youth Commission. Stay tuned for more information.

MEMBERSHIP
It’s that time of the year 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/aeyouth2017!

SHABBAT IS AWESOME IS BACK!
Saturday, August 26 from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Sports, Games, Crafts and learning!

SHMUSY (GRADES 9-12)
Kick Off - Save the date: SHMUSY will be kicking off the year with the first lounge night! Tuesday, September 12 at 7:00 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE
Save the date for our First Teen Shabbat Dinner - Friday, September 8!
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 81010 and put in the message @shmusy to be texted reminders about upcoming events!

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 families with children in grades K-2, meets every Shabbat of the month at 11:00 a.m. If your child is interested in reading a Torah excerpt in Hebrew or English, please contact Max Handelman at maxhandelman1@gmail.com.

FRIDAY NIGHT KABBALAT SHABBAT DAVENING AND DINNER
The Anshe Emet Family First Friday Kabbalat Shabbat services and dinners will be August 4 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 we’re got a Mediterranean themed meat meal! If you have food allergies, please let us know when you register by July 28. 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 this link http://tinyurl.com/FamilyDinnerAugust2017 by Tuesday, August 1.

HIGH HOLY DAYS ARE COMING!
Celebrate the High Holy Days with Anshe Emet’s Young Families. First and second days of Rosh Hashanah, September 21 and 22, families with children in K and younger are invited to the Young Families Service at 8:45 a.m. Yom Kippur Young Families services September 30 at 8:45 a.m. Look for a link on our website starting August 1: www.ansheemet.org/yfhhd.

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/

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At the Shachar/Machar/ Kadima End-of-the-year event in June
Meet Annette Gendler, Author of Jumping Over Shadows

Thursday, August 10, 7:00 p.m. at Anshe Emet

Join us on Thursday, August 10 at 7:00 pm as local author, Annette Gendler, talks about her memoir, Jumping Over Shadows.

History was repeating itself when Annette Gendler fell in love with a Jewish man in Germany in 1985. Her Great-Aunt Resi had been married to a Jew in Czechoslovakia before World War II -- a marriage that, while happy, created tremendous difficulties for the extended family once the Nazis took over their hometown in 1938, and ultimately did not survive the pressures of the time. Annette and Harry’s love, meanwhile, was the ultimate nightmare for Harry’s family of Holocaust survivors.

Weighed down by the burdens of their family histories, Annette and Harry kept their relationship secret for three years, until they could forge a path into the future and create a new life in Chicago. As time went on, however, Annette found a spiritual home in Judaism -- a choice that paved the way toward acceptance by Harry’s family, and redemption for some of the wounds of her own family’s past.

There is no cost to attend. Register at www.ansheemet.org/jumpingovershadows.

Broadway in Chicago Concert

Monday, August 14 • Meet at 5:30 pm

We will be setting up at Jay Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park at 5:30 pm. The concert begins at 6:15 pm and will feature preview performances from Disney’s Aladdin, Beautiful - The Carole King Musical, Matown the Musical, School of Rock and Wicked. Feel free to bring your own picnic dinner and don’t forget to bring a blanket and/or chairs. Look for Amy wearing a YELLOW SAFETY VEST in the spot shown on the map.

Register at: www.AnsheEmet.org/BroadwayinChicago

Maj & Mimosas

Thursdays, August 10 & 24
9:30 am - 12:00 pm
at Anshe Emet

We’ll have a table for experienced players and a learning opportunity for those new to the game.$20 includes drinks and snacks. Register at: tinyurl.com/majmimosassummersummer2017

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.
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### Special Events

- **Baby Sitting** 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.
ANSHE EMET SISTERHOOD

The Anshe Emet Sisterhood has been busy with several new initiatives!

OHEL EMET V’DA’AT

Ohel Emet V’da’at - Our Tent of Truth and Knowledge was established to help the women of Anshe Emet understand all things Jewish! We started the program off with a series on Shabbat including Shabbat Dinner and a Shabbat service tutorial program. We are currently planning a series on Kashrut - Kurious about Kosher, focusing on how to keep Kosher, why keep Kosher and all things related to keeping Kosher and a Kosher Cooking Class! Stay tuned for more details about this November program!

WOMEN, WINE AND WALKING WITH GOD

Women, Wine and Walking with God, the Anshe Emet Sisterhood Study Group is now in their third series of classes and has been a huge success! This group meets on Tuesday evenings and is open to all women in the community. Our summer series is Women and Judaism: Past, Present and Future.

This series will be presented as individual sessions each presented by a different woman from our community. Each session will reflect women and Judaism and will include topics such as women from the Torah, prominent present day Jewish women, and Jewish life as a woman past and present. We will end the series with an educational visit to the Anshe Sholom Mikvah in the fall.

GET INVOLVED!

Innovative programming can only continue if we have volunteers to help plan! Please email me if you wish to be involved in the Sisterhood this upcoming year. We are in need of board members and those to help with planning: Marlene Reid Kosova, Sisterhood President, mreiddpm@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE

Annual Sisterhood in the Sukkah event will be on Tuesday, October 10.

SISTERHOOD NOMINATIONS OPEN

The Anshe Emet Sisterhood is seeking nominations to the Sisterhood Board.

Nominations are being taken for officers and board members. Please contact Lynne Schatz, Nomination Committee Chair to self nominate or nominate someone for the positions of president, treasurer, secretary, membership vice president, programming vice president or general board member. Lynne can be reached at LynneSchatz@gmail.com.

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 student’s name, full college mailing address and email to aecollegeconnection@gmail.com.

BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will resume in the fall. For additional information please contact Judy Metzger at Homet1@aol.com.

SISTERHOOD MONDAY NIGHT MAH JONG

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 JONG 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.

GIFT SHOP

The Gift Shop is open Sundays, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., when Religious School is in session. We will have a special 20% off back to school sale.

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

Elizabeth Cline, Communications

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

Join YAD for First Friday Shabbat Services and Dinner, Friday, August 4. $10 for members. $18 for non-members. $5 for First time attendees! Register at tinyurl.com/yadshabbataugust2017.

YAD 20s Only Event! Wednesday, August 16. BINGO at Replay Lincoln Park. 8:00 p.m.

Third Thursday Night Yoga, Thursday, August 17, 8:00 p.m. $5 for members, $10 for non-members!

Reminder that there is basketball every Thursday night from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the Gym. $5 for non-members, free for members!

Questions about YAD events? Contact Sam Isenstein at sisenstein@ansheemet.org

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

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 dchgo@ansheemet.org. For more information to become a member please contact Cheryl Kaplan Zachariah at CherylK.Kaplan@gmail.com.
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MEN’S CLUB MENSCHEN/MENTION

We are at the height of another beautiful Chicago Summer. What better way for our Men's Club to enjoy it than with another “Hes” in search of “Brews” again. This time we experienced a detailed custom tour of the new Empirical Brewery in Ravenswood on June 4. Each of us tasted a flight of the new line of outstanding Empirical beers and received a souvenir beer glass while lunching on kosher pizza.

Summer season also is baseball season so Men’s Club went on the road again to the South Side on the evening of June 28 as we watched the Chicago White Sox battle the New York Yankees. And an uphill battle it was, as the Yankees blasted the Sox 12 to 3. Of course, we still had a fun time.

Some Men’s Club members had an opportunity to travel even further on July 19 to 23 to attend the International Federation of Jewish Men’s Clubs Convention in Washington, D.C. The convention is open to all Men’s Club members. The Cantor’s Concert at the convention this year featured our own Hazzan Alberto Mizrahi as well as four additional renowned cantors from across the country. The keynote speakers were former Congressman Barney Frank, Professor Ron Wolfson, Rabbi David Saperstein, and Rabbi Mike Uram. Additional description and information is available on the FJMC.org web site. Also check out the Federation web site for lots of other valuable information on such topics as Jewish living, environmental programs, Hebrew literacy, Israel Advocacy, and intermarriage.

We will be hosting another of our famous Men, Meat, and 

Midrash events at Milt’s Kosher BBQ on Tuesday evening, August 8. Rabbi Russo will lead a stimulating discussion on a topic of interest as we munch on items from Milt’s finest kosher menu. Watch the synagogue emails for further details in the near future.

Our Men’s Club Board members represent a great group who are dedicated to building a strong community of friends at Anshe Emet. Our congregation recognized 3 Men's Club Board members at the 144th Annual Meeting of the Synagogue on June 13. I was thrilled to be included among several congregants who were deemed “Menschen of the Month” for “...meaningful service to the Synagogue and the greater Chicago Jewish community.” Our Club Treasurer and Past President, Neil Schwartz, was one of 3 recipients of the coveted Milton Brown Distinguished Service Award. In addition to his work on behalf of our Men's Club, Neal is a regular attendee at morning minyan, a past teacher of English to Russians in our Mollie Dubin Class, and a Synagogue Board member who has served in many capacities. Our newest Men's Club Board member, Alan Mintz, was elected a Trustee of the Synagogue.

Please contact us at mensclub@ansheemet.org or check our Facebook page, Anshe Emet Men's Club, if you have any ideas for activities you would like from your Men's Club or if you would like to check our list of upcoming events and photos of past ones. We hope to see you soon--we are incomplete without you.

Barry Balik

The Men’s Club visits Guaranteed Rate Field for the White Sox vs. Yankees on June 28.

Follow Rabbi Siegel on Facebook!

Want to know what the clergy is up to? Now you can follow Rabbi Siegel on Facebook.

Rabbi Siegel is at http://www.facebook.com/Rabbi.Michael.Siegel

And look for the Synagogue page at www.facebook.com/ansheemet

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.
DO I REALLY HAVE TO FILL OUT A FORM?

The High Holy Days are right around the corner, and we are excited to welcome you back to Anshe Emet Synagogue! If you have not received your renewal form, contact please contact Amy Karp, Director of Engagement at 773-868-5139 or email akarp@AnsheEmet.org. I know it can be a hassle to fill out our little green form. You may ask, do I really have to do this? The answer is it truly does help the office keep track of membership and allows us to ensure tickets are sent out with proper information. If you don’t want to use the form, you can renew online through our membership portal.

After we obtain your renewal information, you can look forward to receiving High Holy Day tickets and information in August.

Our sincerest condolences to...


The family of Regina Lerner, beloved mother of Myla [Larry Kramer], Ivy [Dr. Mark Coleman], Kendra [Ira Blumberg], and David; dear granddaughter of Matthew, Erika, Elise, Jeffrey, Zack, Helen, and Tobias; and great-grandmother of five, on her recent passing.

The family of Joanne Caminer, beloved wife of Leonard Caminer; devoted mother of Michael Caminer and Joel [Ellen] Caminer; loving grandmother of David and Gabriel; dear sister of Stuart [Ella] Osher and Fred [Linda] Osher; fond sister in law of Morris Caminer, Ruth and Edward Copeland; and loving aunt of Ellyn and Don Robinson, Brad Copeland, Irene and Brian Caminer, Nancy and Ira Goldfarb and Barbara and John Jones, on her recent passing.

The family of Louis Israel Rocah, beloved husband of Barbara; loving father of David [Lisa Porcari] and Mimi [David Anders]; cherished granddaughter of Elena, Sabrina, and Aaron; dear uncle of Mark and Lee, on his recent passing.


The family of David Isaac Walk, beloved husband of Mila; devoted father of Gitty [Yosef Leib], Chaim [Chumi], Chana [Ovadia], Deena [Chaim Shmuel], Leiby [Chayyal], Rifki [Strui], Suri [Simcha], and Layala [Avraham]; doting grandfather of 33 grandchildren; beloved brother of Miriam Walkl [Ilya Valkovsky], Michael Walkl and Rabbi Amy Walkl Katz; devoted uncle to Simone, Gabriella, Tamar, Gabriel and Nina, on his recent passing.

The family of Irwin Isaac Rosenfeld, beloved husband of Marcia Rosenfeld; loving father of Idyth [Jay] Zimbler, Jane [Steve] Lux and Mark [Donna] Rosenfeld; cherished grandfather of Jonathan Zimbler and 11 others; and proud great-grandfather of seven, on his recent passing.

The family of Dr. Henri S. Havdala, beloved husband of Sandra; loving father of Dr. Jack [Peggy], Debra [Robert] Wrobel, Ellen and Michael [Melissa]; proud grandfather of Adam, Joey, Joshua, Mark, Genna, Sarah and Levi, on his recent passing.

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May their memory be for a blessing.

Senior Resource Specialists

We are partnering to help people continue to live in their communities as they age or face new challenges. CJE SeniorLife Resource Specialists have expertise in connecting older adults and people with disabilities with the following programs:

- Medicare
- Medicaid
- Marketplace and Other Insurance
- Prescription Drug Assistance
- Social Security
- Aging in Place Resources
- Real Estate Tax Relief
- Utility Assistance
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly called food stamps)
- License Plate Discount and RTA Ride Free Pass
- Housing Information and Referrals
- Community Agency Referrals

This free service is available through the collaboration of Anshe Emet Synagogue, Anshe Sholom B’nai Israel, Emanuel Congregation, Mishkan Chicago, Temple Sholom and CJE SeniorLife.

Appointments available: Third Wednesday of every month, 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. at Temple Sholom 3480 North Lake Shore Drive, Chicago.

To schedule an appointment and get more information, call Consumer Assistance Resource Specialist and certified SHIP counselor, Rae Levinstein, at 773-508-1079. CJE SeniorLife™ is a partner with the Jewish United Fund in serving our community.

Misheberach list information

If you would like to have a name placed on the misheberach [prayer for healing] list, please contact Antoinette Nunez at 773-868-5120 or anunez@AnsheEmet.org. Names will be kept on the list for two weeks only, unless otherwise requested.
WE APPRECIATE YOUR THOUGHTFULNESS

Anshe Emet Synagogue is grateful for your philanthropic support. Please give a contribution of $18 or more per tribute and we will be happy to send a commemoration card to the recipient from the synagogue.

Contributions listed are those received from May 10, 2017 - July 6, 2017. Contributions may be made by calling 773-868-5152, www.ansheemet.org/donate or by mail. Please contact Mimi Weisberg, mweisberg@ansheemet.org, 773-868-5123, for more information.

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If you are a congregant needing assistance with:
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- Emergency medical expenses
- Jewish day school tuition
- Summer Camp fees
- Study in Israel or Jewish educational program expenses

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