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Announcing the Az Yashir Task Force:

Celebrating Our Congregation's Musical Past and Preparing for the Song of Our Future

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Az Yashir Moseh el B'nai Yisrael: Then Moses sang to the Children of Israel. This is how the Torah records the moment after the splitting of the Sea,

and the wondrous sight of our people after their miraculous crossing. *Shira*, song, has always played a significant role in the life and the history of the Jewish people. In fact, the rabbis point out that the words *Az Yashir* can also be translated in the future tense, *then he will sing*; underscoring the idea that the song of the Jewish experience continues in every age. *Az Yashir*, our song, is rooted in the traditions of the past and ever evolving toward the future.

This is our congregation's *Az Yashir* moment.

Anshe Emet has a long and proud commitment to Jewish music. For more than three decades, Alberto Mizrahi has taken our congregation to new musical heights through the art of the Hazzan and introduced our community to new sounds, from ancient Jewish chant to Anshe Emet Live to World Music. This year, it is our great privilege to celebrate *The Man and His Music*, that began with the Mizrahi and Friends concert on November 24.

Az Yashir Moshe: And Moses will sing. This year, our congregation will begin to look forward as well. We fully appreciate the historic nature of the choice before us, and the seminal importance that Jewish music will play in our synagogue's future. To ensure the best possible results for our community, we have planned a two-phase project to ensure that Anshe Emet will welcome a new Hazzan for the High Holy Days of 2021.

Phase One:

Az Yashir Task Force Rob Weinberg, who did such a masterful job with our LaAtid Task Force in education, will facilitate the process. The Az Yashir Task Force will be made up of a rich and varied cross section of our synagogue. Members of our community will have the opportunity to share their thoughts and opinions in regard to Jewish music and liturgical presentation to the Task Force through focus groups and other forums. In addition, the task force will look outside of Anshe Emet to explore the landscape and trends in Jewish music heard in synagogues across America. All of the information, along with recommendations, will be gathered in a report that will be made available to the congregation by the Fall of 2020.

• Phase Two: Search Committee Following on the work in Phase One a search committee will be constituted, made up of (continued on next page)

Announcing the Az Yashir Task Force (Cont'd)

some of the task force members and adding others to lead the cantorial search process. Guided by the findings in the report, they will bring the leading candidates to the congregation over a series of Shabbatot. Our community will have the opportunity to hear them and share their thoughts with the search team. This phase will conclude with a recommendation of a Hazzan to the Anshe Emet Board of Directors.

Our congregation is fortunate to have Dr. Ricardo Rosenkranz and Dr. Michele Sackheim Wein to serve as co-chairs of this process. Dr. Rosenkranz will lead Phase One. In addition, Hazzan Mizrahi and I, along with Rabbis Chankin-Gould, Russo and Hazzan Berke, will all serve in an ex-officio capacity to offer advice and counsel as we go forward.

Anshe Emet stands on the strong foundation of our musical tradition and the threshold of our future. These powerful ideas are contained in the Torah's iconic words: Az Yashir. I look forward to joining with you in what promises to be a dynamic process to build on the rich musical foundation that Hazzan Mizrahi has created and imagine the Jewish song that we will sing in the future.

A New Look Online

Ansheemet.org is getting a make-over!

Starting early January the Anshe Emet website will have a new look and feel. We are currently working on making the content more user-friendly, with easier, more intuitive navigation, fun features, all with a fresh new look to match the vibrancy of our synagogue. We hope you will enjoy the new website, and would love to hear any feedback once we launch in January.

A Look Back...

Photos taken from last month's Men's Club Steak & Shots event on October 15, 2019 honoring Jay Goodgold for his service and dedication to the Anshe Emet Community, and Barry Balik, for his service as President of the Anshe Emet Men's Club.







Thursday, December 19 6PM • Anshe Emet SPORTS EDITION Join us for our 5th year of delicious latkes made by superior guest chefs, with songs, dinner, art projects, music and fun for all ages! COME DRESSED IN YOUR FAVORITE JERSEY OR SPORTSWEAR! Javier Aviva & Yosi Ben Andy Randall Kalish Cruz Alhadif Anshe Emet Sage Dining Sam & Gertie's LaShuk St. Food

Register at: TINYURL.COM/LIGHTANDLATKES2019



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A Dose of Anshe Emet to Fight Off the Winter Blues

Arthur Friedson President, Anshe Emet Synagogue art.friedson@gmail.com

Dear Friends,

Welcome to winter in Chicago. The days are shorter. The temperatures are colder. There's less time spent outside, and when you want to go out, there's a lot more time spent bundling up to get there. It's easy to

get into a rut, let inertia set in, and stay at home more than we'd like or maybe more than is good for us.

Friends, let me suggest a big dose of Anshe Emet to fight off the winter blues. Pick a random Shabbat to come

to shul. I promise the warmth you will feel comes from a far deeper place than our old boilers. Come to kiddush. Maybe you'll sit at the Yiddish-speaking table, or perhaps you'll choose to welcome the newcomers at their table? Maybe you'll re-connect with some old friends, or get energized by the young families fanned out across the room? Maybe there's a class or a lecture that will make you happy you left the house? Here's a little secret about the Raymond Arbetman Center for Adult Education: each class is sufficiently discrete that

> you can drop in on a single class in a series and you won't be lost. Or check out our fabulous standalone programs and events.

Grab your hat and coat, put on your gloves and wrap yourself in your scarf.

Do what you need to do to fight the cold on the way to Anshe Emet, then let us provide the warmth you seek on a cold winter day.

B'Shalom,

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the warmth

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cold winter day.

Art Tude



Listen to this weekly podcast with Rabbi Michael Siegel & Jonathan Eig, author and Anshe Emet congregant.

> Fun and informative. Start binging now!

ANSHEEMET.ORG/PEN-YAD-PODCAST

HAZAK FOR RETIRED ADULTS

MONDAYS @ 1PM

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

HaZaK is an Anshe Emet daytime program for mature adults with active minds. Co-taught by our clergy and other community educators, this year HaZaK is focusing on Jewish History with the Melton curriculum "Crossroads." Generously funded by Beatrice Mayer, z"l. December 2: Cantor Liz Berke December 9: Cantor Liz Berke December 16: Rabbi Michael Siegel December 23: Rabbi Chankin-Gould December 30: Rabbi David Russo

January 6: Cantor Liz Berke January 13: Rabbi Chankin-Gould January 20: No HaZak (MLK Day) January 27: Rabbi David Russo



Latke-Palooza! Monday, December 23 6:30PM

Join the Sisterhood for an evening of Latkes and Gelt at this year's Latke-Palooza party!

We will also enjoy *Gelt: A Discussion about Money with Marla Gordon, CPA.* We'll make latkes, sip drinks, socialize and learn. Also, be sure to bring your menorah for our annual group candle lighting.

Donations of Target gift cards, toiletries or cash contributions to Night Ministry are welcome.

\$10 for those who have paid Sisterhood dues and \$15 for those who have not paid dues.

Register at: TINYURL.COM/ AESLATKEPALOOZA2019



Save the Date for our next Sisterhood Shabbat on Saturday, January 25.

The Siddur: A Book of Prayer & Philosophy

with Tzivia Garfinkel

What words do Jews use in prayer? What

do they mean? How long have we been

saying them? Embedded in some of our

ideas that reflect a set of beliefs, a sense

of history, and ultimately a philosophy

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most familiar prayers are big Jewish

that guides living a Jewish life.

Check back for more updates:

TBD



Shabbat Neshamah

6:30 PM · December 13

A Reflective & Musical Shabbat Experience for all ages!

Shabbat Neshamah is an intimate service that blends traditional liturgy with guitar music and evocative readings for Shabbat. We will sit in the round and Naomi Weiss-Weil will lead us in new, reflective melodies to familiar songs.

For more information, contact Naomi Weiss-Weil: 773.868.5113 • nweiss@ansheemet.org





Welcome Bonnie McDonald, President of Landmarks Illinois

NEW DATE!

Tuesday, January 14 • 6:30 PM We will discuss the most endangered historic places in Illinois and the wonderful work of Bonnie McDonald's organization to provide the inspiration and tools people need to save them.

Learn more and register at: ANSHEEMET.ORG/ LANDMARKSILLINOIS Visit Landmark Illionis at: LANDMARKS.ORG/

KEEP YOUR CALENDAR OPEN:

- Early 2020: Men's Club's Talent Show, showcasing the talents of many of our synagogue's members as well as other exciting programs—Date To Be Announced!
- February 3, 2020: Join with our Men's Club in the International Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs' World Wide Wrap, together with clubs around the world participating in minyanim. Complete your morning with a delicious breakfast sponsored by our Men's Club.
- Be on the lookout for the upcomin programs in March and April, 2020, including our famous yearly Passover wine tasting and our Yom HaShoah Commemoration Yellow Candle program and more!

We encourage your participation in our programs and your submitting ideas for future events.

If you have not yet joined Men's Club, contact the synagogue office and indicate your choice to join.

Follow us on Facebook or online: MENSCLUB@ANSHEEMET.ORG

TINYURL.COM/SHABBATNESHAMAH

Cooking with the Stars



Aaron Israel Monday, December 9 6:30 PM Chef and Owner of Shalom Japan Brooklyn, NY



Sara Bradley Monday, January 27 6:30 PM Finalist, Top Chef Kentucky Owner of *Freighthouse* in Louisville



Join us and our guest chefs as we explore Jewish food with a twist in an interactive cooking demonstration designed for fun and flavor.

This is a series of four classes. Sign up for all or individual sessions. Visit us online to learn about our other chefs and sessions.

Questions? Contact Amy Karp: akarp@ansheemet.org • 773.868.5139

Series: \$160/Members; \$250/Non-Members Individual class: \$50/Members; \$80/Non-Member

Register at: ANSHEEMET.ORG/ COOKINGWITHTHESTARS



Shabbat Torah Reading Honor Roll

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

Sanctuary and Minyan:

Adam Braun, Ellen Chappe, Max Davis, Eli Dunn, Adam Engle, Michael Goodgold, Micah Green, Sarah Hirsen, Ben Kleinman, Jacob Kline, Alexander Leaf, Brandon Leib, Dalya Lessem-Elnecave, Jay Lewkowitz, Jane Lippow, Alan Mintz, Alan Mintz, Brian Nagorsky, Naomi Pinchuck, Joe Platt, Gary Porton, Lynne Schatz, Emily Schoerning, David Schwartz, Barry Seeskin, Elaine Seeskin, Ethan Solomon, Missy Walny

High Holy Day Readers:

Riley Ablin, Tess Appelbaum, Noa Appelbaum, Monica Bauman, Maya Belcove, Talia Canter, Kayla Chandler, Ellie Choslovsky, Andrew Condrell, Sydney Finkelstein, Ruby Golding, Elana Goldwin, Hannah Goldwin, Deena Goodgold, Jack Goodman, Isaac Gross, Sara Grostern, Rachel Harris, Sam Hirshman, Gabi Josefson, Oli Katz, Estie Katz, Abby Kenen, Jacob Kline, Elijah Koller, Jaci Krandel, Jordan Leib, Brandon Leib, Zoe Levitt, Max Liss, Nicole Lucas, Lizzie Lucas,

Rose Crown Minyan:

Marc Alexander, Ronit Alexander, Adina Allen, Sella Alperin, Linda Avitan, Rabbi Yehoshua Ben-Avraham, Adam Braun, Lev Gray, Raffi Magarik, Brian Nagorsky, Rabbi Josh Warshawsky, Barry Wimpfheimer

Usher - Floor Gabbai:

Michael Bellows, Brian & Irene Caminer, Benita Cohen, Jay Goodgold, Neil Schwartz, David Weil, Gary Wigoda

High Holy Day Readers (cont'd):

Alan Mintz, Suzanne Muchin, Sari Oppenheimer, Max Pizer-Lippitz, Joe Platt, Dan Pulik, Nina Rau, Natalie Rosenbaum, Drew Rosenberg, Jared Saef, Gabe Shapps, Emma Siegel, Gabe Silk, Rebecca Silverstein, Emma Weiss, Curt Weiss, Mila Zidel, Jon Zidel

Youth Readers:

Vera Cirillo, Anna Cirillo, Nava Fleischer, Jocelyn Friedman, Rina Krugel-Lee, Maya Lessem Elnecave, Alexander Nessel, Laila Norton, Sadie Rau, Nava Schwarz, Dalia Schwarz, Jonah Seidner, Perla Seidner, Talia Seidner, Hava Shifrin, Eli Solano, Damian Solano, Blake Tallise, Joel Tollinche, Shosh Tollinche

Simchat Torah READiculous

Readers: Madeline Berlin, Samantha Berlin, Natanel Braun, Bina Brill, Anna Cirillo, Nate Dubner, Emma Dubner, Nava Fleischer, Liv Herszage, Ethan Leder, Juliette Leder, Shira Lerner, Maya Lessem-Elnecave, Sam Nagorsky, Gavi Nessel, Eli Puchtel, Olivia Rubenstein, Nava Schwarz, Jonah Seidner, Perla Seidner, Talia Seidner, Bryson Skolnick, Damian Solano, Eli Solano Jr., Noah Sunshine, Daphna Tesher, Adin Wimpfheimer-Gillers

Thank you to these people for honoring their Minyan commitment. Please join us and help ensure the vitality of our weekly morning Minyan.

Join us for minyan Monday thru Friday at 7am Rosh Chodesh at 6:50am Sundays & Nat'l Holidays at 8:30am Ben Abrams, Bruce Arenson, Chuck & Sara Aron, Barry Balik, Hannah Barg, Eve Becker, Daniel Derby, Phil Dunn, Steve Durchslag, Beth Farber, Anna Gaebler, Gail & Dan Golden, Mitch, Amber, Macy, Marsha Golob, Jacob, David, Elizabeth Gonsky, Sharon Gonsky, Micah, Jared, Barbi, Miranda Green, Merle & Barry Gross, Sarah & Ron Hirsen, Ariela Housman, Bruce Kaminsky, Elli Krandel, Bob Levin, Debby Lewis, Jay Lewkowitz, Allie Lichterman, Jane Lippow, Ron Litke, Scott Markman, Tracy Meyers, Liora Mincer, Alan Mintz, Marsha Nagorsky, Gerard Nussbaum, Shula Ornstein, Shelly Parker, Deborah Pogrund, Brian Pogrund, Gary & Fraeda Porton, John Ragir, Esther Rosenbloom, Richardo Rosenkranz, Anna Rubin, Andy Rudman, Jerry Salzberg, Jerry Salzman, Felice, Scott, Mia Schlessinger, Neil Schwartz, Barry Seeskin, Sahar Segal, Don Shapiro, Ed Soloman, Jason Star, Greg & Cheron Stern, Phil Stern, Gabor Tarjan, Maya Tkachuk, Abe Trieger, Fred Weber, David Weil, Mara Wolkoff, Moses Zarkin-Scott, Marianne & Evan Zemil, Jeanette Zemsky

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	UNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
3 Kislev 8	30am Morning Minyan	4 Kislev 2 os:507am Morning Minyan Ipm HaZaK 6pm Hebrew 1.0 6:30pm Basketball 7pm Melton Class on Ethics 7pm Miller Heritage	5 Kislev 3 7am Morning Minyan 7:45am Text on Tuesdays 6:45pm Basketball 7pm From Fauda to Shtisel with Dr. Liat Maggid Alon 7pm Advanced Trope Class	6 Kislev 4 7am Morning Minyan 9:30am Melton Class
	30am Morning Minyan 9am Religious School 9:15am Little Builders 10am Planning Ahead/ End of Life Issues Class 12pm Tikkun Chicago	11 Kislev 7am Morning Minyan 1pm HaZaK 6pm Hebrew 1.0 6:30pm Cooking with the Stars: Shalom Japan 7pm Melton Class on Ethics 7pm Miller Heritage	12 Kislev 7am Morning Minyan 7:45am Text on Tuesdays 6:45pm Basketball 7pm Advanced Trope Class	13 Kislev 7am Morning Minyan 9:30am Melton Class
	15 30am Morning Minyan 9am Religious School 9:15am Little Builders 10am Planning Ahead/ End of Life Issues Class 12pm Tikkun Chicago	18 Kislev 7am Morning Minyan 1pm HaZaK 6pm Hebrew 1.0 6:30pm Basketball 7pm Melton Class on Ethics 7pm Miller Heritage	19 Kislev 7am Morning Minyan 7:45am Text on Tuesdays 6:45pm Basketball 7pm Advanced Trope Class	20 Kislev 18 7am Morning Minyan 9:30am Melton Class
24 Kislev	222 Hanukkah First Candle 30am Morning Minyan	25 Kislev 23 Hanukkah Day 1, Second Candle 6:50am Morning Minyan 1pm HaZaK 6:30pm Basketball 6:30pm Drop-in Bereavement Group	26 Kislev 24 Hanukkah Day 2, Third Candle 6:50am Morning Minyan 7:45am Text on Tuesdays 6:45pm Basketball	27 Kislev 25 Hanukkah Day 3, Fourth Candle Christmas Synagogue Office Closed 8:30am Morning Minyan

6:30pm Basketball

8:30am Morning Minyan

THE RABBI MICHAEL SIEGEL 30TH ANNIVERSARY ISRAEL FUND INFORMATION

Supports Israel experience trips. Applications accepted on a rolling basis. To apply, visit: ANSHEEMET.ORG /SCHOLARSHIPAPPLICATION

Questions? Contact Naomi Richman: 773.868.5122 | nrichman@ansheemet.org All submissions due by February 1, 2020

CAMP SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Joseph and Ruth Tumpeer Scholarship Fund...

6:45pm Basketball

Encourages Jewish summer experiences for youth by offsetting a portion of the cost of Jewish summer camp attendance. The scholarship is need-based. To apply, visit: ANSHEEMET.ORG/SCHOLARSHIPAPPLICATION

> Questions? Contact Naomi Richman: 773.868.5122 | nrichman@ansheemet.org All submissions due by February 1, 2020

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THURSDAY	FRIDAY	S	ATURDAY
7 Kislev 5 7am Morning Minyan 4:15pm Religious School 6:30pm YAD Basketball 6:30pm Sisterhood Book Club 6:30pm Shireinu Choir Rehearsal 7pm Tikkun Chicago	8 Kislev 6 Tam Morning Minyan 8:45am Lerner's of Torah Parsha Class 5:45pm First Friday Family Shabbat Service & Dinner 7:15pm YAD Shabbat Service, Dinner & Schmooze 3:59pm	9 Kislev Parashat Vayetzei Torah Portion: Genesis 28:10-32:3 Haftarah: Hosea 12:13-14:10	7 9am Parsha Class 9:30am Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of Aaron Hall; Auf Ruf of Rachel Vorwaller & Alexander Cohen 9:30am Rose Crown Minyan 12pm Kiddush Lunch 1:15pm Shabbat Mincha 4pm Mincha Bat Mitzvah of Natasha Benjamin 4pm 3rd Grade Havdallah 6:30pm SHMUSY Laser Tag
14 Kislev 12 7am Morning Minyan 4:15pm Religious School 6:30pm YAD Basketball 6:30pm Shireinu Choir Rehearsal 7pm Tikkun Chicago	15 Kislev 13 Tam Morning Minyan 8:45am Lerner's of Torah Parsha Class 6:30pm Shabbat Neshamah 6:30pm Lakeview Minyan Service & Potluck	16 Kislev Parashat Vayishlach Torah Portion: Genesis 32:4-36:43 Haftarah: Obadiah 1:1-1:21	14 9am Parsha Class 9am JBC Class 9:30am Shabbat Morning Service in Malkov Chapel 9:30am Rose Crown Minyan in the Sanctuary Bar Mitzvah of Nate Dubner 12pm Kiddush Lunch 1:15pm Shabbat Mincha
21 Kislev 19	22 Kislev 20	23 Kislev	21
7am Morning Minyan 4:15pm Religious School 6pm 5 th Annual Light & Latkes 7pm Tikkun Chicago	7am Morning Minyan 8:45am Lerner's of Torah Parsha Class 6:30pm Shabbat Shelanu 4:01pm	Parashat Vayeshev Torah Portion: Genesis 37:1-40:23 Haftarah: Amos 2:6-3:8	9am Parsha Class 9am JBC Class 9:30am Combined Shabbat Morning Service with Rose Crown Minyan 12pm Kiddush Lunch 1:15pm Shabbat Mincha
28 Kislev 26	29 Kislev 27	30 Kislev	Hanukkah Day 6, Seventh Candle 28
Hanukkah Day 4, Fifth Candle 6:50am Morning Minyan 6:30pm YAD Basketball	Hanukkah Day 5, Sixth Candle 6:50am Morning Minyan 8:45am Lerner's of Torah Parsha Class 6:30pm Shabbat Evening Service 6:30pm Mishkan Service & Dinner 4:05 pm	Parashat Miketz Torah Portion: Genesis 41:1-44:17; Numbers 28:9-28:15 Haftarah: Zechariah 2:14-4:7	Pam Parsha Class 9:30am Shabbat Morning Service in Malkov Chapel 9:30am 9:30am Rose Crown Minyan in Sanctuary 12pm Kiddush Lunch 1:15pm Shabbat Mincha
		10am Ruach	UTH SERVICES EVERY SATURDAY Class 10:45am Ruach & Jr. Congregation m Shabbat 11am Shachar BABYSITTING:

11am Shalom Shabbat | 11am Shachar | BABYSITTING: for children 18 months and older is available in room 104 every Shabbat morning from **9:30am-12:30pm**.

We are always adding new events.

For the most recent calendar listings visit:

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Notes:

JANUARY 2020 MONDAY **SUNDAY TUESDAY** WEDNESDAY 4 Tevet SHABBAT YOUTH SERVICES EVERY SATURDAY 10am Ruach Class | 10:45am Ruach & Jr. Congregation New Years Day 11am Shalom Shabbat | 11am Shachar | BABYSITTING: Synagogue Office Closed for children 18 months and older is available in room 104 8:30am Morning Minyan every Shabbat morning from 9:30am-12:30pm. We are always adding new events. For the most recent calendar listings visit:

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15 Tevet	12 8:30am Morning Minyan 9am Religious School 9:15am J2M 10am Hartman 3:30pm Babies & Bagels	16 Tevet 7am Morning Minyan 1pm HaZaK 6pm Hebrew 1.0 6:30pm Basketball 7pm Melton Class on Ethics 7pm Miller Heritage	17 Tevet 7am Morning Minyan 7:45am Text on Tuesdays 6:30pm Men's Club Presents Landmarks Illinois 6:30pm Connecting the Expecting 6:45pm Basketball 7pm Advanced Trope Class 7pm Wine, Women & Walking with God Series	18 Tevet 15 7am Morning Minyar 9:30am Melton Class
22 Tevet	19 8:30am Morning Minyan 9am Religious School 10am Hartman	23 Tevet 20 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Synagogue Office Closed 7am Morning Minyan	24 Tevet 21 7am Morning Minyan 7:45am Text on Tuesdays 6:30pm Connecting the Expecting 6:45pm Basketball 7pm Advanced Trope Class 7pm Wine, Women & Walking with God Series	25 Tevet 22 8:30am Morning Minyan 9:30am Melton Class
29 Tevet	26 8:30am Morning Minyan 9am Religious School 9:15am J2M 10am Hartman 9:30am My Kid, IEPs and 504s-What I Need to Know 12pm Tikkun Chicago	1 Shevat 27 Rosh Chodesh Tevet 6:50am Morning Minyan 1pm HaZaK 6pm Hebrew 1.0 6:30pm Cooking with the Stars: Sara Bradley 6:30pm Drop-in Bereavement Group 6:30pm Basketball 7pm Melton Class on Ethics	2 Shevat 28 7am Morning Minyan 7:45am Text on Tuesdays 6:30pm Connecting the Expecting 6:45pm Basketball 7pm Advanced Trope Class	3 Shevat 29 7am Morning Minyan 9:30am Melton Class

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5 Tevet	2	6 Tevet 3	7 Tevet 4
	7am Morning Minyan 6:30pm YAD Basketball	 7am Morning Minyan 8:45am Lerner's of Torah Parsha Class 5:30pm YAD Havda-Lights & the Zoo (off-site) 6:30pm Shabbat Evening Service 4:11pm 	Parashat Vayigash9am Parsha ClassTorah Portion:9am JBC ClassGenesis 44:18-47:279:30am Shabbat Morning ServiceHaftarah:9:30am Rose Crown MinyanLapm Kiddush Lunch12pm Kiddush LunchEzekiel 37:15-37:281:15pm Shabbat Mincha
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19 Tevet	16	20 Tevet 17	21 Tevet 18
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4 Shevat	30	5 Shevat 31	
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		📥 4:44 pm	

Young Families

Maxine Handelman Director of Family Life & Learning mhandelman@ansheemet.org

At Anshe Emet, we are building pathways to Jewish life and community for families with young children. Find your friends and joy-filled Jewish life at Anshe Emet! Look for all the details at: ANSHEEMET.ORG/ YOUNGFAMILIES

First Friday Family Service & Dinner December 6 • 5:45pm

This month's dinner is delicious Chinese food! Sign up by November 26 to avoid the late fee. There is no First Friday service and dinner in January. We'll return February 7. TINYURL.COM/

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Little Builders

February 2 - March 22 6 • 9:15am-10:45am Our Spring classes for families with 2-3 year olds kicks off in February. Space is limited so reserve your spot today! TINYURL.COM/ LITTLEBUILDERSSPRING20

Babies and Bagels

January 12 • 3:30pm-5pm Families with children 2 years old and under are invited to join Max Handelman and Miss Aimee for songs, story and schmoozing. A great way to connect with other families with kids the same age as yours! The program is free to members: TINYURL.COM/

BABIESANDBAGELSJAN2020

Hey Parents, Let's Talk! **Conversations about Parenting** January 11 • 1:30pm -2:30pm During Shabbat is Awesome afternoon, join us to help us choose the next topic. **TINYURL.COM/HEYPARENTS**

My Kid, IEPs and 504s: What I Need to Know

Sunday, January 26 • 9:30am Join Tracy Lovi Hartlieb, Director of the Legal Advocacy Center at JCFS Chicago to explore IEPs and 504s: What are they? How do you know what your child needs? How do you navigate the system in both public and private schools to ensure your child has the right plan? Come learn the answers to these and other related questions. This workshop is free and registration is strongly requested. TINYURL.COM/ **AESIEP504WORKSHOP**

Join our email group: **AEYF-SUBSCRIBE**@ YAHOOGROUPS.COM Join us on online: FACEBOOK.COM/GROUPS/AESYF/







Photos taken from our Religious School Mitzvah Day, which took place on Sunday, November 17, 2019. Students, Parents and School staff volunteered at locations across Chicago, from visiting the elderly, to feeding the needy, to picking up garbage along our beachfront. It was a day of action for all!



Anshe Emet's Young Adult Division, for ages 22-36!

First Friday Shabbat Service & Schmooze December 6 • 7:15pm TINYURL.COM/ DECEMBERFIRSTFRIDAY

Volunteering at PAWS December 8 • 12pm TINYURL.COM/ **PAWSVOLUNTEERING2019**

Volunteering at Lakeview Pantry Decemeber 17 • 5:30pm TINYURL.COM/ **LVPDECEMBERVOLUNTEERING** Hanukkah Trivia December 21 • 7pm TINYURL.COM/YADTRIVIA2019

Havda-Lights & the Zoo January 4 • 5:30pm Save the date for a new kind of YAD Shabbat. Instead of our monthly First Friday Shabbat, YAD will be having Havdalah, followed by dinner and a walk to the Lincoln Park Zoo Lights. Visit Facebook for more info.

You can find out more about events and connect with fellow YAD members on Facebook.com/AnsheEmetYAD/ or by following ansheemetyad on Instagram.

Interested in planning future programs? Consider joining the YAD Board! For more information contact Young Adult Coordinator, Iris Krandel: **IKRANDEL@ANSHEEMET.ORG**





Photos from YAD's Minute-to-Win-It Speed Dating program on November 14, 2019.

Religious School

Emily Schoerning, PhD The Grodzin Director of Educational Innovation eschoerning@ansheemet.org

Dear Friends,

This December I will be traveling with community leaders and clergy to the 20/20 Judaism USCJ conference. This conference brings together leaders from over 600 Conservative congregations across North America. Our congregation is being honored at this conference. We have won the Solomon Schechter Artisan Award in the category of Community Embrace, thanks to our work so far, as we enact our LaAtid vision for youth education. We are receiving special recognition for the work we have done to embrace diversity and learning differences in youth education (see page 13). I am honored to be speaking on behalf of our community on this issue at the conference, where we will have the opportunity to share both the process and products of our LaAtid vision with the larger Conservative community. I am continually grateful for the opportunity to do this work with you.



In other religious school news, we are getting ready for our Hanukkah Party, which will fall a little early this year, on December 15. We'll be on winter break starting December 22, with school resuming January 5.

This year we are going to try something new at the Hanukkah Party. Not every person likes to celebrate the same way, and while we are incredibly fortunate to have so many children in our community that we can create a really energetic, exciting crowd atmosphere, this year we want to provide more celebratory options for students who prefer a chiller, more relaxing vibe. As we enjoy having a little more space, we're excited to branch out into offering more ways to celebrate.

Looking forward to celebrating with you!

The Raymond Arbetman Center for Adult Jewish Education

Cantor Liz Berke Director of Continuing Education eberke@ansheemet.org

Featured Course The Most Important Conversations No One Has

Sunday, December 8 • 10am-11:30am How to Plan Your Funeral: Susan Winkelstein and David Jacobson of Chicago Jewish Funerals will discuss how pre-planning your own funeral leaves most people feeling a little uneasy, but more adults are finding that pre-planning offers great emotional and financial security for them and their families.

Sunday, December 15• 10am-11:30am Writing an Ethical Will: For over thirty years Rabbi Siegel has been helping people refine and define what values they want to pass onto the next generation.



Learn more and register now at: ANSHEEMET.ORG/ADULTED

Be sure you receive our Adult Education emails. Contact Cantor Liz Berke: EBERKE@ANSHEEMET.ORG

Youth Department

Samantha Isenstein Youth & Young Adult Director sisenstein@ansheemet.org

We have specialized youth group programming, for kindergarten through 12th grade, available to your children now. We can't wait to see you at our programs this year!

Shachar (K-2) • Machar (3-5) • Kadima (6-8) • SHMUSY (USY Chapter 9-12)

Register for our youth groups today! TINYURL.COM/ AESYOUTHGROUPS2019

MACHAR

 Macher Undernighter Saturday, February 1 • 5:30pm-8pm We will do havdallah, eat dinner, and watch a movie with plenty of snacks! Admission is \$10. Register at: TINYURL.COM/ MACHARUNDERNIGHTER20

SHMUSY (USY)

Hey 8th Graders- Starting in January we welcome you to join SHMUSY at all of our USY programs for the rest of the school year! Make sure to bring other 8th grade friends with you!

- "Lazer Tag" at AES Saturday, December 7 • 6:30pm Register at: TINYURL.COM/ SHMUSYLAZERTAGJAN20
- Lounge Night Tuesday, December 17 • 7pm
- Sushi Making Lounge Night January 7 7pm
- Shabbat Dinner at Rabbi Russo's Friday, January 10 Free but RSVP required: TINYURL.COM/ JAN2020TEENSHABBATDINNER
- Teen Tefillah
 Saturday, January 11 11am

What Do You Know? **Trivia Night** at AES

Saturday, January 11 • 7:30PM

Back by popular demand, bar trivia at its best. This program is geared toward our Something for Us Social Group for those 50+. Bring your friends for a night of nosh, drinks and fun, as we test our trivia knowledge in the Malkov Chapel.

Contact Amy Karp for more information: AKARP@ANSHEEMET.ORG • 773.868.5139



From last year's Trivia Night, Saturday, December 15, 2018.

My Kid, IEPs and 504s: What I Need to Know

Sunday, January 26 • 9:30AM

Join Tracy Lovi Hartlieb, Director of the Legal Advocacy Center at JCFS Chicago to explore IEPs and 504s: What are they? How do you know what your child needs? How do you navigate the system in both public and private schoold to ensure your child has the right plan? Come learn the answers to these and other related questions.



This workshop is free and registration is strongly requested:

TINYURL.COM/ **AESIEP504WORKSHOP**

AES **Shares** Shabbat

Friday, January 31

Host or be hosted for Shabbat dinner with other Anshe Emet families with kids around your kids' ages. We'll give you all the info you need to welcome in Shabbat with flair and fun.

Contact Max Handelman for more information: MHANDELMAN@ANSHEEMET.ORG • 773.868.5121



MAZEL TOV TO OUR UPCOMING B'NAI MITZVAH

Aaron Hall December 7 Son of Dana & Jared Hall



Nate Dubner December 14 Son of Meredith & Jason Dubner



Ike Derechin January 3 Son of **Karen Seder** & Dan Derechin



Adam Rose January 18 Son of **Rachel Howard** & Brad Rose



Asher Friedman January 19 Son of Michelle & Jason Friedman



Noa Stern Frede **January 25** Daugther of Gail Stern & Ari Frede



NO PHOTO AVAILABLE Natasha Benjamin • December 7 Daughter of Alice & Brian Benjamin

Evie Dorfman • January 11 Daughter of Beth Cohen-Dorfman & Michael Dorfman

Lillian Pollack • January 11 Daughter of Laura & Sam Pollack

Mazel Tov to Anshe Emet

December 6-10 • 20/20 Judaism USCJ Conference • Boston, MA.

Anshe Emet Synagogue has been awarded a 2019 Solomon Schechter Artisan Award. This award recognizes congregations for innovative initiatives that transform the dynamic experience of Conservative Judaism.

Our LaAtid Initiative, which re-envisioned our Joseph & Belle Braun Anshe Emet Religious School, was chosen by an international committee as an exemplar of this goal in the Community Embrace category. Emily Schoerning, PhD, The Grodzin Director of Educational Innovation at Anshe Emet will be accepting this award at the 20/20 Judaism USCJ Conference.

In addition to this honor, Rabbi D'ror Chankin-Gould and Board Member, Dani Lazar, will be presenting on the LaAtid process. Both of whom were chairs of the LaAtid task force.

Cantor Elizabeth Berke will also be presenting on a conversion panel at the conference.



Seek meaning together

Emily Schoerning, PhD The Grodzin Director of Educational Innovation



Dani Lazar, Board Member



Rabbi D'ror Chankin-Gould



Cantor Elizabeth Berke



Indoor Farmers Market

Sunday, February 9, 2020

Anshe Emet is partnering with **Faith in Place** to host an indoor farmers market in honor of Tu B'Shevat. The farmers market provides an additional source of income for local vendors during the off-season, promotes sustainable farming methods and economic justice for regional farm families, encourages healthy, wholesome eating, and supports the building of relationships between producers and consumers. **Sponsored by Team Yarok**.

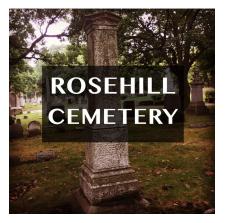
Contact Amy Karp for more information: AKARP@ANSHEEMET.ORG • 773.868.5139

For All The Days of Your Life...

On the Anshe Emet logo we include the words recited in the Haggadah: "For all the days of your life". Our congregation endeavors to support members of our community at every juncture of life, from birth to death.

In that spirit, we are very pleased to announce that Anshe Emet, through its Endowment Fund, has acquired forty contiguous gravesites in the Jewish section of Rosehill Cemetery conveniently located at 5800 North Ravenswood.

Dating back to 1859, Rosehill Cemetery is one of Chicago's famous historical cemeteries. The Anshe Emet Section is set off from the larger cemetery in a way that fulfills the requirements of Jewish Law. From our earliest times, caring for the dead and supporting the mourner is a singular Jewish value. Our rabbis use the words *Chesed V'Emet*, loving kindness and truth, to encapsulate the spirit of this approach. If you, or a member of your family, would like further information on purchasing gravesites in the Anshe Emet Section, please contact Boni Fine at bfine@ansheemet.org.



Supporting our Community in Times of Loss

4th Monday of the month Next Sessions: December 23 & January 27 6:30 PM Anshe Emet

Please join us for a monthly support group for adults who have experienced the death of a loved one within the past two years.

For more information and/or if you'd like to connect prior to coming your first time, please call Marsha at **847.745.5408**.

Your gift sustains us as a center for Jewish Life.

To donate, please visit ansheemet.org/donate Contributions listed are those received from October 7 - November 5, 2019

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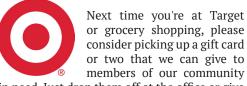
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Whether you are celebrating a new baby, a wedding engagement, anniversary, birthday or commemorating the loss of a loved one for Yahrzeit share your life cycle events with the congregation by making a gift to the Kiddush Luncheon Fund.

Any gift amount is welcome. Sponsorships of \$500 or more will be specially acknowledged in our weekly Shabbat bulletin.

Contact Kim Carter for details: kcarter@ansheemet.org 773.868.5119

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in need. Just drop them off at the office or give them to any of our staff or clergy.

Thank you for your help!

Misheberach List

If you would like to have a name placed on the misheberach (prayer for healing) list, contact Antoinette Nunez.

Names will be kept on the list for two weeks unless otherwise requested.

Let us be your support through every cycle of life.



Our Sincerest Condolences

The Anshe Emet Community expresses its sincerest condolences to the families of:

Stephen K. Dunn Terry J. Fadem Mark Sanford Levey Ronald S. Gertzman Helen Louise Fogel

May their memory be for a blessing.



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WHAT'S COMING UP?



Cooking with the Stars: Shalom Japan Monday, December 9 6:30PM

Shabbat Neshamah Musical Service Monday, December 13 6:30PM

5th Annual Light & Latkes Thursday, December 19 6PM

YADs Hanukkah Trivia Saturday, December 21 7PM

Sisterhood's Latke-Paloozal Monday, December 23 6:30PM

JANUARY

YADs Havda-Lights and the Zoo Saturday, January 4 5:30PM

Something for Us' Trivia Night Saturday, January 11 7:30PM

Men's Club Presents Bonnie McDonald of Landmarks Illinois Tuesday, January 14 6:30PM



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Free for AES members; \$75 for non-members *Program is limited to 80 participants so register today!*

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