ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mazal Tov to Becky & Eran Koren on the birth of a baby boy. If you would like to help with meals, please visit TakeThemAMeal.com (Last Name: Koren, Password: baby). May this child’s life be filled with the insights of Torah, the warm and supportive love of family and community, and the blessing of good deeds!

Mazal tov to Kristin Ammon on her engagement to Jacob Rischall. May the couple merit to build a home loyal to the traditions of Israel. Amen!

We regret to inform you of the passing of Bruce Freud, brother-in-law of Marc Rosen. May the memory of the righteous be a blessing and a comfort to us all. Amen.

Thank you to this week’s volunteer readers, Netanel Barsky, Leon Covitz, Moses Gaynor, and Paul Saiger.

ANSHE SHOLOM TRIBUTES

Aliyah
David Abrams
Neil Berkowitz

In Honor
Aliza Dahan in appreciation of the Eruv team

In Memory
Charles Abrams & Mona Freidin in memory of Leonard Stark, a”h
Dr. Ellen Cannon & Dr. Arnold Herskovic in memory of Leonard Stark, a”h
Jillian & Gabi Glikson in memory of Leonard Stark, a”h
Katie Rich in memory of Leonard Stark, a”h
Paul & Linda Saiger in memory of Leonard Stark, a”h
Shira Wakschlag & Eli Rosenblatt in memory of Leonard Stark, a”h
The Weprins in memory of Leonard Stark, a”h

Yahrzeit
Gyorgy & Rozsa Turan in memory of Eddy Heizler, a”h

Donations received after December 11 may be listed in next week’s bulletin. Many thanks for these generous donations.

Security Tip of the Week

The ASBI Security Committee is seeking a few donated cell phones. To donate, please place your phone and charger in a ziplock bag with your name on it (in case we need to ask you a question about your phone) and place it in the plastic bin in the lobby before Thursday, December 26. Any extra phones will be donated to SHALVA.

To view prior Security Tips of the Week, please visit asbi.org/security-tips.

Worth Remembering—An Occasional Series

Edward Heizler, whose yahrzeit is 17 Kislev, was our gabbai, our children’s candy man, our Mr. Fix-it (when in doubt, duct tape), and our very good buddy. A hearty, outgoing, energetic guy, “Eddy” gave of himself tirelessly and cheerfully, getting jobs done all around the building before he was ever asked, and easily making countless lasting friends. He brought keen native intelligence to our decision making, and was an insightful judge of character when it mattered most. The demand for Eddy’s brand of wisdom and sunniness always exceeds the supply.

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MEET WITH RABBI WOLKENFELD

Email shul@asbi.org to set up an appointment, or call his cell (917-621-5678) for urgent matters.

ADAM R. STRAUS MEMORIAL MIKVAH

To make an appointment, email mikvah.asbi@gmail.com at least 48 hours in advance.

INCLUSIVITY AT ASBI

We have a Braille siddur available below the chumashim and an accessible bathroom off the Beit Midrash. If there are other resources that would be helpful, please email Rabbanit@asbi.org.
This Shabbat at ASBI

We are excited to welcome Scholar-in-Residence Rabbi Yakov Danishefsky to ASBI this Shabbat! Join us for the following opportunities to learn with Rabbi Danishefsky:

Friday Night Tisch, 7:00 PM
The Tisch will be preceded by a ShabbatTable dinner at 5:15 PM. All are welcome to attend the tisch, whether or not you’re registered for dinner.

What Do You Really Believe? Cognitive Therapy & Judaism’s Core Beliefs

Rabbi Yakov Danishefsky works as a clinical therapist at Searching for Change and a teacher at Ida Crown Jewish Academy. He also speaks and teaches in different capacities around the Chicago area. In teaching and therapy, Rabbi Danishefsky brings a blend of mind and heart through his warm, relatable, and sincere presence. As a therapist, he specializes in treating sexual addictions, trauma, and couples counseling. At Ida Crown, he teaches Gemarah and Tanach and is passionate about stimulating curiosity and independent thinking in the classroom. He earned Semicha and a Masters in Jewish Philosophy from Yeshiva University and completed his Masters in Social Work from Walden University. He was also a member of the Wexner Graduate Fellowship. Rabbi Danishefsky lives in Chicago with his wife Dana and three children.

Rabbi Danishefsky’s visit is sponsored by the Phillip & Edith Rosenbaum Leonian trust, Jacques Aaron Preis, Trustee, in memory of Phillip Leonian, a”h, and Edith Rosenbaum Leonian, a”h.

Hanukkah Candle Lighting
Thursday, December 26, 5:15 PM at Windy City Sweets (3308 N. Broadway)
Join Rabbanit Sarna and Rabbi Wolkenfeld at Windy City Sweets for a song-filled candle lighting as we light up one of our favorite spots in Lakeview! Come for the candles, stay for the singing, and enjoy a delicious piece of fudge as a Hanukkah gift from us.

Join Us for Our Upcoming Family Dinners!
The Young Families Dinner is intended for children in grade school. The Tot Kabbalat Shabbat Dinner is intended for kids not yet in Kindergarten. Families with children in both categories are welcome at either dinner (or both)!

TOT KABBALAT SHABBAT DINNER
Friday, January 10, at ASBI
Come join us for a fun, interactive Tot Kabbalat Shabbat program 5:00 PM, immediately followed by a delicious Shabbat dinner. This program is geared towards kids who are not yet in Kindergarten.

Early-bird price (through December 27):
$10 per adult | $5 per child 3 - 12 | Free for children under 3
Register at asbi.org by Monday, January 6.

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YOUNG FAMILIES DINNER
Friday, January 17, at the JCC
Join us for a Young Families Shabbat Dinner, geared towards children in grade school. Shabbat services begin at ASBI at 4:35 PM, followed by dinner at the JCC at 6:00 PM.

Early-bird price (through January 2):
$10 per adult | $5 per child 3 - 12 | Free for kids under 3
Register at asbi.org by Monday, January 13.

Learn & Earn

The rhythms of Jewish life surround some basic skills and prayers that every Jew should have. With Learn & Earn, we hope to encourage your children to master them. With every new skill learned, your child will earn satisfaction in having grown as a Jewish person, recognition in the ASBI weekly bulletin, and also gift certificates of his or her choice to Windy City Sweets, Starbucks, or Unabridged Books. Learn more about this program at asbi.org/learn-and-earn.
GET INVOLVED

YKA 5780 — THANK YOU!
Thank you to everyone who has already generously participated in our annual Yom Kippur Appeal. So many of you have demonstrated your appreciation for our wonderful community and increased your donation amounts from previous years. Thanks to each one of you, we have surpassed our financial goal!

While we've made amazing progress with our financial goal, we also have a goal of 100% participation. If you haven't already made a contribution, please consider a gift of any amount to help us show that our community is supported by each and every one of our members.

Make your contribution now at asbi.org/yka and help us reach our goal of 100% participation!

Weekday Mincha/Ma’ariv Milt’s Raffle!
Thanks to a generous donation to encourage a reliable Mincha/Ma’ariv minyan, we will be raffling off $20 Milt's gift cards to those who attend Mincha/Ma'ariv on weekdays.

To learn about days on which this raffle will be conducted, please join the WhatsApp minyan group - asbi.org/minyan-whatsapp. For minyan times, view our schedule at asbi.org/calendar.

You don't have to join the WhatsApp group to be eligible, but you do have to show up for minyan!

Thank you to each and every one of you for your support in 2019!
As the end of 2019 approaches, you may consider making a donation to support the shul or pay off your account balance to take advantage of a charitable deduction on your 2019 income tax return.

Donate anytime until 11:59 PM on Tuesday, December 31, by paying online at asbi.org/payment.php. Log into your account for faster and easier payments! Want to send a check instead? Date and mail your check in December and it will still count towards your 2019 taxes.

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

BEIT MIDRASH WEDNESDAYS
Join us at ASBI for our annual Wednesday night series of accessible and thought-provoking shiurim. All Fall and Winter classes take place from 7:30 to 8:30 PM. View the full schedule of upcoming BMW classes at asbi.org/BMW.

Frontiers of Modern Orthodoxy - with Rabbi Wolkenfeld
December 18 - Heresy & Post-Modernism

“The Great Torah Commentators” with Rabbi David Wolkenfeld at the Chicago Loop Synagogue (16 S. Clark St.), 12:00 - 1:00 PM
Jews have never ascribed to a doctrine of sola scriptura, the Protestant claim that individuals reading the Bible could determine for themselves its practical and spiritual message. Rather, we have always studied Torah through the prism of rabbinic interpretations, first the classic midrashim of the rabbis, and then later interpretations of rabbis and scholars through the ages. Each class focuses on a Torah commentator and examine his or her historical context, method of interpretation, and a selection of some of their most "famous" comments.

December 16, 2019 – Netziv
January 13, 2020 – Nechama Leibowitz

The cost is $15 per class, which includes a kosher lunch. To RSVP, please contact the Chicago Loop Synagogue office at (312) 346-7370 or loopadm@chiloopsyn.org.

POCKET BEIT MIDRASH
Torah from the convenience of your pocket via WhatsApp.

Join our new Pocket Beit Midrash WhatsApp group to learn Torah with Rabbi Wolkenfeld!

Short audio shiurim will be distributed throughout the week at asbi.org/pocket-beit-midrash.

Oneg & Shiur with ASBI Rabbanic Intern Elliot Finkelstein
“Yosef HaTzaddik and Judah Maccabee: Brotherly Strife in Vayeshev and Chanukah”
Friday, December 20, 7:30 PM, at the home of Rabbanit Sarna & Ethan Schwartz

Elliot Finkelstein is a fourth-year rabbinical student at Yeshivat Chovevei Torah. He graduated from Columbia University in 2016 with a B.A. in Ancient Studies. He has been a Fellow for the Join for Justice Seminary Leadership Project, as well as an AIPAC Leffell Israel Fellow for Rabbinical students. Elliot has studied at the Drisha Institute, Pardes, and Yeshivat Maale Gilboa. He has interned at the Greenpoint Shul in Brooklyn, N.Y., Ohev Shalom Talmud Torah in Washington D.C., and the Heschel Middle School in New York.
VISITING SCHOLARS

“Seven Things That Will Surprise You about How People Observe Niddah” with Dr. Naomi Marmon Grumet

This Sunday, December 15, 10:00 AM, at ASBI

The Adam R. Straus Memorial Mikvah looks forward to welcoming Dr. Naomi Marmon Grumet to our community on this Sunday!

This event is open to the community and will be followed by a volunteer appreciation brunch for our mikvah attendants.

If you are interested in joining our team of mikvah attendants, please contact Sara Wolkenfeld at sarawolkenfeld@gmail.com.

UPCOMING ASBI SCHOLARS-IN-RESIDENCE

MICHELLE GREENBERG KOBRIN, JD | JAN. 31 - FEB. 1, 2020

Professor Michelle Greenberg-Kobrin is a Clinical Professor of Law at Cardozo Law School and the Founding Director of the Program on Leadership at the Heyman Center for Corporate Governance. She is also a Lecturer-in-Law at Columbia Law School, where she served as Dean of Students from 2006-2016. Professor Greenberg-Kobrin received both her BA and her JD from Columbia University. She was a Bruria Scholar at Midreshet Lindenbaum and a Torat Miriam Fellow. She has lectured extensively on a range of issues, including agunot, conflict resolution, sexual assault on campus, and women and Judaism. She has been involved with the Organization for the Resolution of Agunot (ORA) since its founding. She lives in New York with her husband, Rabbi Dr. Jeffrey Kobrin, and their four children.

Professor Greenberg-Kobrin’s visit is sponsored by the Organization for the Resolution of Agunot (ORA).

RABBI LEVI COOPER | APRIL 24 - 25, 2020

Rabbi Levi Cooper currently teaches Hasidut, Maimonides, and Midrash at Pardes in Jerusalem and has also taught Bible, Talmud, and Philosophy of Halakha. Originally from Australia, Rabbi Cooper holds an LL.B., LL.M. and Ph.D. from the Law of Faculty, Bar-Ilan University. In addition to his work as Pardes, Rabbi Cooper is a Teaching Fellow at the Buchmann Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University. Rabbi Cooper volunteers as the spiritual leader of Kehillat HaTzur VeHaTzohar, a mixed religious and secular neighborhood outside Jerusalem. He served in the IDF’s Golani Brigade and continues to do Reserve Duty as a commander in an infantry unit. He is also a member of the Tzohar rabbis organization and an educational advisor to the Jewish community of Istanbul, Turkey. He is married to Sarah and they have six children.

Rabbi Cooper’s visit is co-sponsored by the Mizrachi Movement and Religious Zionists of America as part of “Israel360”, sending Israeli educators around the world in celebration of Yom HaAtzmaut.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ASBI Young Professionals Hanukkah Dinner

Friday, December 27, at ASBI

The lights will be burning bright; celebrate both Hanukkah and Shabbat all in one night. Join old friends and new over a delicious Shabbat dinner. And as always, follow up dinner with an oneg hosted by one of or very own young professionals (host and address will be announced at dinner).

Kabbalat Shabbat 4:10 PM
Dinner 5:30 PM
Followed by an Oneg

ASBI Members: $15 per person / Non-Members: $18 per person

Please RSVP and pay at asbi.org by Monday, December 23.

The ASBI Young Professionals Committee organizes Shabbat dinners and social events for young adults in their 20s and 30s.

THE STRAW HAT

The Official Podcast of Anshe Sholom B’nai Israel Congregation

Episode 19 - “Vayetzei 5780: Generations Under One Roof”

In this episode, Rabbanit Sarna and Rabbi Wolkenfeld reflect on some of the ideas shared by our recent Scholar-in-Residence, Rabbi Dr. Zev Eleff, particularly about denominational titles within Orthodoxy.

Next, based on a conference Rabbanit Sarna recently attended, they discuss the Jewish domestic space and the history of Jewish home life in 17th century Prague. They also interview ASBI alumni Tali Arbit Winkler and Dr. Jon Eskreis-Winkler.

You can listen and subscribe to The Straw Hat at asbi.org/podcast or find it on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Stitcher, Google, and more!
**GET INVOLVED!**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

for our next in-house volunteer-made Kiddush on December 28!

If you are able to help with Kiddush prep Thursday night, December 26, and/or Shabbat morning, please sign up at asbi.org. Questions? Email Mona at mmfreidi@ix.netcom.com.

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**Volunteer with ASBI at The ARK!**

This Sunday, December 15, 2:00 PM

Join ASBI for an afternoon of pre-Hanukkah volunteering at The ARK. All ages are welcome and children are welcome, and encouraged to come!

Space is limited. Sign up at asbi.org.

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**Volunteer at The Uptown Café with ASBI**

Next Date: Monday, December 30

The Uptown Café is a JUF-sponsored kosher restaurant serving low-income people on the North Side. For over 15 years, ASBI members have volunteered once a month—setting tables, serving and chatting with clients, and cleaning up.

To sign up or for more information, contact Herb Eiseman at 773-255-6481 or herbstours@me.com. There is no obligation to participate every month.

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**Daf Yomi at ASBI**

Participants from all backgrounds and levels of experience are welcome and encouraged to join us each weekday morning following Shacharit for the synchronized and coordinated study of Talmud, based on a 1923 standardized calendar in which the entire Talmud is studied and completed, one double-sided page each day, by Jews around the world, every 7.5 years.

The entire 7.5 year cycle begins again with Berachot on January 5, 2020.

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Israel Movie Night: “Lost in America” (1985)**

Monday, December 16, 7:00 PM at ASBI

90 minutes

In this hysterical satire, written and directed by Albert Brooks, a successful Los Angeles advertising executive (Brooks) and his wife (Julie Hagerty) decide to quit their jobs, buy a Winnebago, and follow their Easy Rider fantasies of freedom and the open road. When a stop in Las Vegas nearly derails their plans, they’re forced to come to terms with their own limitations and those of the American dream.

Brooks’s barbed wit and confident direction drive “Lost in America”, an iconic example of his unique comic voice and his restless comedies about insecure characters searching for satisfaction in the modern world.

Sponsored by the Israel Committee.

Pizza, pop, popcorn, and chips will be served.

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**Torah on Tap**

Monday, December 16, at 7:30 PM

at Wilde Bar & Restaurant (3130 N. Broadway)

Join Lakeview’s young adult (20s - 30s) communities from Anshe Sholom B’nai Israel, Anshe Emet Synagogue, and Temple Sholom’s Makom Chicago, for learning and discussion in a casual, fun setting!

Join us at Wilde on December 16 to learn with Rabbanit Leah Sarna!
**SPONSORSHIP & DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES**

Contribute to ASBI by leining or sponsoring Kiddush or Shalosh Seudot!
Sponsorship or co-sponsorship* is a great way to celebrate your own or a loved one’s birthday/anniversary/milestone. Many menu and pricing options are available. Please email office@asbi.org at least one week in advance for details.

Email shul@asbi.org if you are interested in reading Torah.

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*You may co-sponsor a Kiddush by contributing a smaller amount.

**Dedication Opportunities**
Honor your loved ones with a dedication plaque or book plate.

- **New Koren Siddur**
  - Small Leaf: $54
  - Tree of Life: $180
  - Large Leaf: $360
  - Tree of Life: $1,080
  - Stone: $720

**SHABBAT YOUTH TEHILLAH GROUPS**
Group leaders and babysitter are subject to change without notice.

- **Tot Shabbat (children 2 and under, with a parent)**
  - 10:45 AM in the Social Hall
  - **Gan (ages 3-JK)**
    - 10:30 AM in the JCC Lower Gym with Tara Holden & Tracey Meyers, assisted by Maayan Jankelovics
  - **Yeledeinu (K & 1st grade)**
    - 10:30 AM in JCC Room 206 with Molly Jaret, assisted by Aaron Faier & Shira Newberger
  - **Tze’ireinu (2nd & 3rd grade)**
    - 10:30 AM in JCC Room 105 with Kristin Ammon, assisted by Zev Faier
  - **Na’areinu (4th & 5th grade)**
    - 10:30 AM in JCC Room 205 with Ezra Landman-Feigelson, assisted by Noam Wolkenfeld

**Babysitting Services (for children ages 1 through 7 only)**
with Sylvia Staples
9:30 AM until Kiddush in the ASBI Playroom  |  Kiddush until 1:00 PM in the JCC Lower Gym

**JCC Nursing Room**
The JCC Nursing Room (second floor next to Room 200) is available for ASBI members and guests on Shabbat and Holidays from 10 AM
- The JCC Nursing Room contains a glider, table, and a number of chairs. This room, along with the glider in ASBI’s downstairs women’s restroom, should not be used for non-nursing purposes.

**Security**—If you see something, say something.
As part of our ongoing effort to improve safety and security at ASBI, all members of the Congregation are invited to submit recommendations, comments, questions, or concerns to the Security Committee at security@asbi.org.

**Prayer for the United States and Its Government** (based on “deSola Pool Siddur”)
God on high, bless this our country, the United States of America, and all who dwell therein. Bless the constituted officers of government of this land. Set into their hearts the spirit of wisdom and understanding to uphold peace and freedom.

**SHALOSH SEUDOT**
Starting at $1,000  |  Starting at $118

- **Date**
  - December 21
    - **Vayeshev**
  - December 28
    - **Miketz**

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- **Anshe Sholom B’nai Israel Congregation** is indebted to Judge Abraham Lincoln Marovitz, a’h, for his generosity to the synagogue and to the Marovitz Scholarship Fund.
- The George Kranzler Library of Judaic Classics is donated in loving memory of Mr. George Kranzler by the Kranzler and Saltzman families.
- The Learning Center was dedicated on 29 Av 5761 in memory of Rose and Dr. Abe Aaronson who inspired us in learning and charity.
- There is a sense of wholeness and artistic integrity in our sanctuary, thanks to our beautiful stained-glass windows on the east wall, dedicated in memory of Bernard Preis, a’h.
- The windows on the south wall are dedicated in memory of George Friedman, a’h.
- The Louis A. Lerner Institute of Torah Texts sponsors all of the Torah text classes at ASBI.