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Sunday, April 30  
**BASEBALL**

Sunday, May 21  
**BIOGRAPHY**

Sunday, August 6  
**BUS TOUR**



**Have your pencils and scorecards ready! Let's go! Batter up!**

CJHS Open Meeting

**SUNDAY, APRIL 30** 2:00 p.m.

Temple Beth-El, 3810 Dundee Road  
Northbrook, Illinois

**MICHAEL H. EBNER**

Professor of American History Emeritus, Lake Forest College,  
presents an illustrated talk

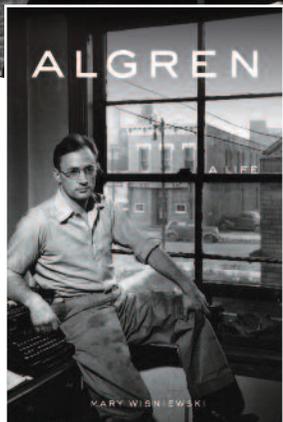
## **"AND HOW JEWISH IS BASEBALL?"**

Michael Ebner taught American history for thirty-three years at Lake Forest College, assuming emeritus status in 2007. He also taught in the City University of New York at Herbert H. Lehman College and City College and was a visiting professor of history at the University of Chicago. Prof. Ebner's presentation promises to be a lively blend of scholarship and fan enthusiasm.

**A social hour with kosher pastries follows the program.**

**Admission \$10 per person at the door. Members of the CJHS and Temple Beth-El free.**

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CJHS Open Meeting  
**SUNDAY, MAY 21** 2:00 p.m.

Emanuel Congregation  
5959 North Sheridan Road, Chicago

## MARY WISNIEWSKI

Transportation reporter for the *Chicago Tribune* discusses her new biography of writer Nelson Algren

### “ALGREN: A Life”

Mary Wisniewski is the winner of numerous journalism awards, has taught creative writing, and published literary reviews. She appears on local TV news shows and is heard on local radio. Chicago’s Polonia neighborhood (now known as Bucktown and Wicker Park) is where her own Polish family first lived in Chicago and where Algren found characters for his fiction, made his home for a time, and gained fame—and notoriety. But young Nelson Algren Abraham grew up in Albany Park with his parents Gerson Abraham and Goldie Kalisher. He attended Hibbard Elementary School and Roosevelt High. Mary Wisniewski takes a fresh look at his background and influences in this first new biography of Algren in 25 years.

**A book signing and social hour with kosher pastries follow the program. Admission \$10 per person at the door. Members of the CJHS and Emanuel free.**

## “Chicago’s Jewish West Side” Bus Tour • Sunday, August 6 Guides: Jacob Kaplan and Patrick Steffes of *Forgotten Chicago*

We will explore the complex and critical role the West Side played in the growth and development of Chicago since the nineteenth century. We will discuss how Chicago's Jewish community built a vibrant system of local institutions, businesses, and houses of worship that were influential far beyond Chicago. We will also explore the changes to the West Side since World War II, and examine the remnants of this area, such as the Madison and Pulaski (formerly Crawford) shopping district. We’ll also cruise past and discuss Chicago institutions such as Sears, Allstate Insurance, Hull House, WLS radio, and the University of Illinois at Chicago. We will also visit other aspects rarely discussed during Chicago tours, including urban renewal, construction of the area expressway system, public housing, and overlooked landmarks.

**11:30 AM – 5:00 PM Bernard Horwich JCC, 3003 W. Touhy Ave.**

**12:00 PM – 4:30 PM Marriott Hotel, 540 N. Michigan Ave. (Rush St. entrance)**

**CJHS Member \$40**

**Non-Member \$45**

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### RESERVATIONS “Chicago’s Jewish West Side” Bus Tour • Sunday, August 6, 2017

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Marriott Hotel (Rush Street)

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