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BEHIND THE SCENES: NORTH SHORE BAKERY



When my cousins were visiting we had an idea: what if we took a tour? To bring this idea to life, we went to North Shore Bakery. Ms. Ayelet owns the bakery and she gave us a grand tour. The bakery started in 1980, but Ayelet's family came from Israel and became the owners in 1987.

Around 9 AM we arrived and took a look around. Then the fun started. Ms. Ayelet showed us the back room where they bake everything. They bake so much. They bake cookies, cakes, bread, wedding cakes, pita and more. They even gave us a demonstration showing how they frost cupcakes. It was so cool.

The whole time we asked all sorts of questions. We learned that the bakery tries to have variety, that they have 27 employees, that they have two vehicles that deliver bakery products to supermarkets, and that one of their ovens can get to up to 800 degrees which is hotter than the sun (just kidding).

From my perspective, here was the most interesting question: What is the hardest part about being the owner of this bakery? Ms. Ayelet said 24-7. She said she works 24 hours a week seven days a week. She also said her busiest day is Friday.

At the end, she let me and my cousins each pick a treat for free. When we got home, we cut up all the treats and shared them. I thought the cupcakes and the Israeli cookies were the best.

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EVIE'S MOVIE REVIEW: CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY

In this movie there were golden tickets, oompa loompas, songs, and a chocolate factory.

If I could be friends with one person in this movie I would want to be friends with the grandpa because he sang a song with Charlie and he seemed so nice.

I would not want to visit Willy Wonka's factory because there were lots of dangerous things in there. And I wouldn't want to get sucked up a drain.

If I got to make a chocolate factory



it would have chocolate and candy. No nuts. There would be a chocolate waterfall, a chocolate lake, chocolate raspberries, chocolate trees, chocolate cake, chocolate clouds, chocolate sky, a chocolate slide, a chocolate trampoline, a chocolate garden, chocolate grass, chocolate dolphins, candy grapes with chocolate. Also blankets and beds with chocolate, chocolate toothbrushes and chocolate flossers. If you ever got hungry you could just take something and eat it. I'd get so many cavities.

Chocolate is one of our favorite desserts. Have you ever heard of Asher's Chocolate? They are located in Pennsylvania, but they sell their chocolate everywhere. We asked Asher's Chocolate if we could please have some of their chocolate to taste so we could review it in our newspaper.

When we got the package with their chocolate we were so excited we were dying to open it. It was covered in fancy silver bubble wrap. We got two boxes of fancy chocolate truffles surrounded by ice packs to make sure the chocolate didn't melt before we ate it.

Did you know there's a difference between eating chocolate and tasting chocolate? Eating chocolate is when you put chocolate in your mouth and swallow it. Tasting chocolate is when you first look at the chocolate. Then you smell it. Then you put it in your mouth and pay attention to all

ASHER'S CHOCOLATES



the flavors.

We didn't just eat the fancy truffles. We tasted them. So, first we looked at them. The delicious truffles had a design that made them look cool. Next, we smelled them. They had a delicious chocolate-y smell. Then we put the chocolate in

our mouths. When we sucked on the chocolate, it melted. The first thing we tasted was milk chocolate. Then the chocolate became crunchy and we started to chew on the heavenly nutty middle. Then we swallowed it. Don't worry, when you taste chocolate you are still allowed to swallow. Asher's truffles are the best.

A MOUTH-WATERING INTERVIEW WITH MR. ASHER

Lustig Letter: What is it like owning a chocolate store?

Mr. Asher: Oh my goodness, well, it's definitely a lot of fun. I guess at the end of the day my favorite thing is doing something that puts a smile on the other people's faces.

Lustig Letter: Does your mouth water when you see the chocolate?

Mr. Asher: Oh yes, of course it does. And [it's] even better when you walk onto our factory floor. The first thing that happens is you smell the chocolate and the smell is almost even better than seeing it cause it's so good.

Lustig Letter: How are you similar to and different from Willy Wonka?

Mr. Asher: I guess we're similar in that we both like to have fun and we're a little zany . . . we obviously we both work in chocolate. I don't however have Oompa Loompas or any magical creatures in my factory. I wish I did but Oompa Loompas are in hard supply. They're hard to find these days. You gotta really track them down.

Lustig Letter: Do you have a secret recipe or chocolate tip that you can share exclusively with the readers

of the Lustig Letter?

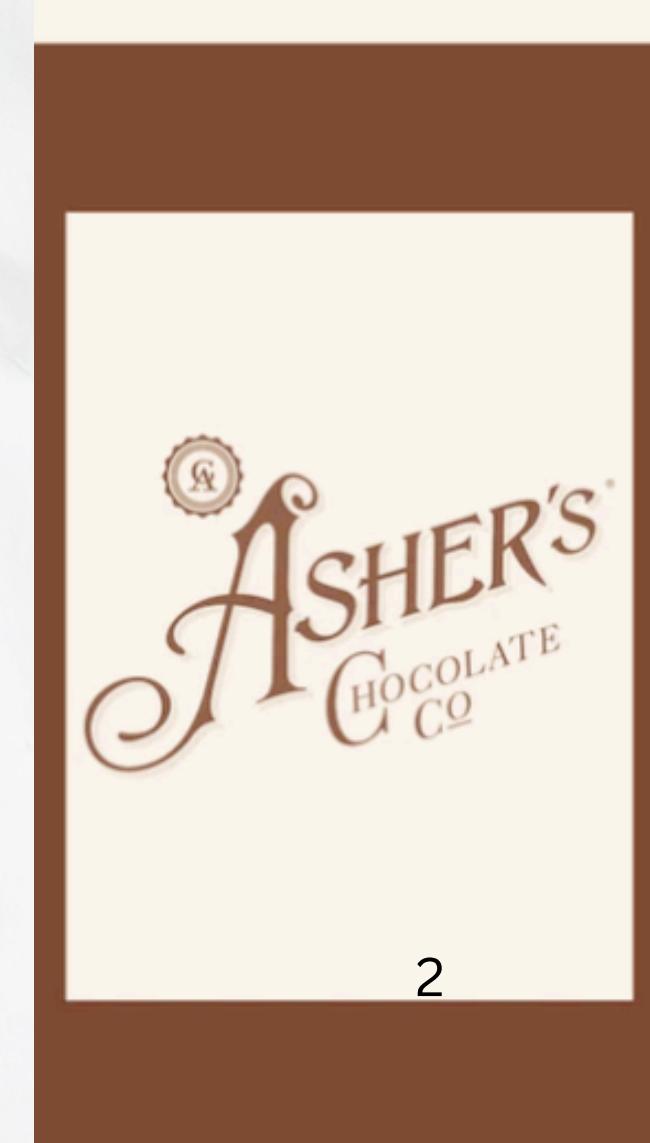
Mr. Asher: I'll let you know how we make our moon rocks. It's a piece that only we make. It's very, very handmade so there's a lot of steps that a lot of

people don't want to take. We t's [currently] warm enough to grow chocolate.

with a caramel marshmallow and we cover that in dark chocolate. Then we take that piece and we let it set. So we leave it for like a day or so. And then by hand we take that finished piece and dip it in melted white chocolate. And then we roll that into a bed of crushed Oreos.

Lustig Letter: What do you think chocolate will look like in 100 years?

Mr. Asher: I really hope that chocolate is even bigger than it is today. Hopefully we'll figure out how to grow it outside of the very small zone around the equator where i



From the Dentist's Office

EVEN THOUGH FOOD IS DELICIOUS WE HAVE TO KEEP OUR TEETH HEALTHY. NEXT UP, YOU WILL BE READING ABOUT DR. ALISON HORN. SHE IS VERY NICE. SHE IS A DENTIST AT CHILDREN'S DENTAL WORLD.

Lustig Letter: What if a kid is so big they don't fit in the dentist chair?

Dr. Horn: I have kids whose heads are coming off the top and whose feet are sticking out over there literally sticking off the edge. It usually happens when kids come home from college, especially if they're like a basketball player or a football player and I have to step over them. The chair has a special release on the bottom and it can swivel sideways because this room is longer diagonally— you can learn about triangles—

and so if we go the diagonal way, we get more length and that's how we get them to fit.

Lustig Letter: Do dentists have dentists?

Dr. Horn: I do have a Dentist his name is Dr Steve. He's in Chicago. Dentist should all have their own dentist.

Lustig Letter: What do you think it will be like to go to a dentist in 100 years?

Dr. Horn: That's a really good question. So right now it's my job to look at the computer and find the cavities. In the future I think dentists aren't gonna have to look at the x-rays and figure it



out themselves. I think the computer is just automatically gonna take the x-rays and the word is "diagnose." The computer program is gonna diagnose the cavities. I also think that we're gonna be using lasers to fix cavities Not drills.



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DELL'S MARASCHINO CHERRIES

This week me and Evie reached out to Dell's Maraschino Cherries company. We asked if we could come and watch how maraschino cherries are made in their factory. Unfortunately, they said it wasn't sanitary for us to come but they said they would send some goodies our way.

We thought they were going to send a couple cherries. But instead they sent us a huge box. The box looked fabulous. We weren't expecting it. We opened it with our whole family. Inside the box were two huge jars of maraschino cherries, two notebooks with cherries on them, two cute fanny packs with cherries on them, and guess what was inside of the pouches? Pens decorated with cherries of course. There were also two

smoothie cups decorated with cherries. Every single thing smelled like cherries.

This company is so kind! Thank you Dell's Maraschino Cherries for taking time to send us some goodies. We loved them.

The rating for all their kindness and the delicious taste of those maraschino cherries is five stars!!!!!!!



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A Note To The Reader

For an upcoming issue, we have a private audience with Mayor Tennes!

More info

Is there something you've always wanted to know about Skokie? Want to get your voice heard?

Maximum two questions per person.

When you send us your question please add your name and tell us a little bit about you self.

email us at: eskreisl@gmail.com

We will ask your question to the mayor and put it in our next issue!