# **Congregation Ahavas Achim**

P.O. Box 334 Westfield, MA 01086

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http://www.congregationahavasachim.org/

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

# **High Holy Days:**

Friday, 9/18 @ 6:30 pm, Erev Rosh Hashanah

Saturday, 9/19 @ 10:00 am, Rosh Hashanah Morning

Sunday, 9/20 @ 4:00 pm, Tashlich at the duck pond at Stanley Park. This will be a gathering to cast away our sins, as well as a chance to get together, and listen to Cantor Reaboi blow the Shofar. We will meet at the duck pond and practice socially distancing.

Sunday, 9/27 @ 6:30 pm, Kol Nidre

Monday, 9/28 @10:00 am, Yom Kippur Morning followed by Yizkor (Memorial Service) @ 12:30 pm

Please join us via Zoom until further notice. Cantor Reaboi sends out Zoom invitations prior to each service or event. Please contact us at <a href="mailto:ahavasachiminquiry@gmail.com">ahavasachiminquiry@gmail.com</a> or leave a voicemail message at (413) 642-1797 if you want to say Kaddish or have any suggestions for us.

Board Meeting: Meetings are held via conference calls during the pandemic. Our next meeting is scheduled for October 14th. All are welcome to join. Please let us know if you are interested so we can include you in our call.

# **Hebrew School:**

**Coordinator: Andy Blumenthal** 

(Please call him at (413) 569-1148 if you or another member of our community has expressed interest.)

# **YAHRZEIT**

With great sadness, we remember the following people on the Yahrzeit of their passing:

		<u>2020</u>
Norma Silver	Elul 16	Sep 5
Eugene Spiro	Elul 16	Sep 5
<b>Irving Friedman</b>	Elul 23	<b>Sep 12</b>
Stanley Wertel	Elul 28	<b>Sep 17</b>
Thornton Pava	Tishri 7	Sep 25
<b>Dora Schachter</b>	Tishri 13	Oct 1
Sarah Milstein	Tishri 14	Oct 2
<b>Doris Beard</b>	Tishri 15	Oct 3
<b>Alvin Fields</b>	Tishri 20	Oct 8
Solomon Karp	Tishri 21	Oct 9
Henriette Rosenak	Tishri 25	Oct 13
Allene Dressler	Cheshvan 6	Oct 24
<b>Ida Bernstein</b>	Cheshvan 7	Oct 25
<b>Edna Newman</b>	Cheshvan 9	Oct 27
Irene Hoffman	Cheshvan 10	Oct 28
Rebecca Pearl	Cheshvan 11	Oct 29
Hyman Bernstein	Cheshvan 12	Oct 30
Myrna Siegel	Cheshvan 12	Oct 30
Gussie Chernick	Cheshvan 17	Nov 4
Judith Schulman	Cheshvan 20	Nov 7
Harold Riklin	Cheshvan 23	Nov 10

#### **Website URL:**

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#### Or connect with us on Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/pg/AhavasAchim Westfield/

# **High Holy Days:**

Congregation Ahavas Achim welcomes everyone to celebrate the High Holy days with us. Cantor Colman Reaboi will be leading the services via Zoom. Please join us to make this a blessed, joyful and musical Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

Cantor Reaboi would like to hear from anyone who would like an Aliyah and/or is willing to do a reading (in English). Please RSVP to him directly at <a href="mailto:creaboi@hotmail.com">creaboi@hotmail.com</a>.

Cantor Reaboi has been hard at work preparing High Holiday services that are meaningful and that will reflect our cherished traditions. With that in mind, we will be using the High Holiday prayer book that we have always used to help anchor us to our traditions. Books will be available at the Interfaith Chapel, by appointment, or at Sandy Mackler's house. Also, if anyone needs their prayer book delivered, we are happy to accommodate those requests. For more information regarding prayer book pick up, please contact Sandy at (413) 262-4564 or via email <a href="mailto:sandra.mackler@comcast.net">sandra.mackler@comcast.net</a>

# **Happy Birthday!**

Birthday wishes go out to the following:

Charlie Newman September 3<sup>rd</sup>

Anna Blumenthal September 5<sup>th</sup>

Erica Rosenthal September 11<sup>th</sup>

Michael Davenport September 27<sup>th</sup>

Zack Wright October 7<sup>th</sup>

Emily Wright October 30<sup>th</sup>

# **Happy Anniversary!**

Andy and Susan Blumenthal October 9th

# **Facebook:**

Congregation Ahavas Achim is now on Facebook!

Please click on the following link to find us:

https://www.facebook.com/AhavasAchi mWestfield/

Once your find us, please "Like" our page. Feel free to post comments or any pictures that you would like to share with us. You will also be able to find announcements and listings for our services and events. If you have any questions, or would like us to post any announcements, events or pictures for you, please email them to: Carol and Nate Rosenthal - ncrose@comcast.net

# **Fundraising:**

Did you know that Congregation Ahavas Achim has a unique AmazonSmile link that makes it easier for people to find and support us? We ask that you consider using our link if you will be shopping on Amazon anyway.

# http://smile.amazon.com/ch/51-0141633

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