

Congregation Ahavas Achim

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<http://www.congregationahavasachim.org/>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Fri. 6/2 @ 7:00pm – Shabbat Evening Service

Sat. 7/22 @ 10:00am – Shabbat Morning Service and pot luck picnic gathering until 1:00pm

Please contact us at ahavasachinquiry@gmail.com 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. Our next meeting is scheduled for June 14th. All are welcome to join. Please let us know if you are interested so that we may include you in our call by emailing ablumenthal@congregationahavasachim.org

Hebrew School:

Coordinator: Andy Blumenthal

(Please call him at (413) 569-8399 if you or another member of our community has expressed interest.)

YAHZRZEIT

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

2023

Joseph Goodman	Sivan 13	Jun 2
Mary Garber	Sivan 15	Jun 4
Maurice Goldstein	Sivan 15	Jun 4
Emily Wright	Sivan 17	Jun 6
Les Gubkin	Sivan 18	Jun 7
Sidney Ball	Sivan 23	Jun 12
Marvin Wool	Sivan 23	Jun 12
Alex Flatt	Sivan 24	Jun 13
Albert Shepard	Sivan 24	Jun 13
Carol Beckwith	Sivan 24	Jun 13
Seymour Newman	Sivan 25	Jun 14
Clara Goldberg	Sivan 25	Jun 14
Mary Libby	Sivan 27	Jun 16
Helen Gubkin	Sivan 27	Jun 16
H. Tucker	Sivan 28	Jun 17
Bertram Siegel	Sivan 29	Jun 18
Doris Levy	Tamuz 1	Jun 20
Leonard Levy	Tamuz 10	Jun 29
Adele K. Blumenthal	Tamuz 18	Jul 7
Abraham Rosenthal	Tamuz 19	Jul 8
Maude Lewin	Tamuz 20	Jul 9
Eva Caplin	Tamuz 21	Jul 10
Anna Grodzen	Tamuz 23	Jul 12
Michael Temkin	Tamuz 24	Jul 13
Edward Lewin	Tamuz 25	Jul 14
Seymour Greenberg	Tamuz 29	Jul 18
Mae Sharin	Av 2	Jul 20
Helen Goldberg Ball	Av 6	Jul 24
Harold Bernson	Av 13	Jul 31
Daniel Goldberg	Av 15	Aug 2
Freida Caplin	Av 29	Aug 16
Helen Cheskin	Elul 2	Aug 19
Evelyn Goldberg	Elul 7	Aug 24
Ruth Fisher	Elul 9	Aug 26

Congregation Ahavas Achim wishes to thank all its friends and members for their generous donations:

Jeffrey Stoloff – in memory of Edith Levin - General Fund

Mark Mackler and Wendell Choo – in honor of Sandy Mackler's birthday - General Fund

Marcia Kahn – in memory of Ellen Bonsel Falk – General Fund

**Donations received as of 5/31/23*

Pesach:

After 3 years of Covid restrictions, Congregation Ahavas Achim finally joined together again in person for a Community Passover Seder on Thursday, April 6th at the 2nd Congregational Church social hall. It was a participatory Seder led by Rabbi Shahar Colt with readings, prayers, and songs. Everyone in attendance was welcome to read from the inclusive Hagaddah and we all enjoyed the traditional Seder foods for dinner.

The Seder was attended by members of the Congregation and their families, as well as members of the community and congregants from the 2nd Congregational Church. This was made possible through a grant sponsored by Jewish Endowment Foundation of the Jewish Federation of Western Massachusetts. It truly was a joyous celebration, a delicious meal and a very enjoyable evening for all who were there.

Many thanks to Fran Eisenberg for her planning and coordinating efforts in bringing this Seder together for all to enjoy.

Hebrew Free Loan Association:

The Hebrew Free Loan Association of Greater Springfield offers interest-free loans to Jewish individuals and families whose needs are urgent and who may not qualify for personal loans from a bank or other financial institution. For more information, go to:

<https://hebrewfreeloanassociation.org/>

Facebook:

Congregation Ahavas Achim is now on Facebook!

Please click on the following link to find us:

<https://www.facebook.com/AhavasAchimWestfield/>

Once you 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

Happy Birthday!

Birthday wishes go out to the following:

Dave Wright	June 4 th
Alyssa Eisenberg	June 23 rd
Robert Wool	July 12 th
Arthur Haselorn	July 30 th

Happy Anniversary!

Anniversary wishes go out to the following:

Michael & Barbara Davenport	July 7th
Robert Wool & Lynne Goldberg	July 9th
Bob & Wendy Blondin	Aug 6th
Nate & Carol Rosenthal	Aug 12th

Reminder:

Dues payment plans ended in February unless special arrangements have been made. All membership dues should have been paid in full by February 15, 2023. If you are having difficulty, please contact someone on the board to discuss an alternative payment plan.