

# Congregation Ahavas Achim

P.O. Box 334

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## MAY - JUNE 2018 NEWSLETTER

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

**Fri, May 11 @ 7:15pm – Erev Shabbat Service**

**Sun, May 20 @ 4:00pm – Adult Education at Noble View Outdoor Center (see details)**

**Fri, May 25 @ 7:15pm – Erev Shabbat Service**

**Fri, Jun 8 @ 7:15pm – Erev Shabbat Service**

**Sat, Jun 23 @ 10:00am – Shabbat Morning Service followed by a potluck dairy luncheon**

**Soup Kitchen (First Thursday of the month) at Our Community Table, 101 Meadow St., Westfield 4:00 – 5:45 pm. Contact Sandy 562-2942 to volunteer time and/or food.**

**May 3, June 7, July 5 & August 2**

### Hebrew School:

**Director: Jennifer Belden**

**Coordinator: Andy Blumenthal**

**Board Meeting: June 13th @ 6:30pm at Wendy Blondin's – 59 Forest Glen Dr. Westfield, call Wendy for directions 413-568-5347 – all members invited to attend**

**Note: All services are held at the Interfaith Center at Westfield State University unless otherwise noted.**

### Yahrzeit

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

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Alda Haselkorn	Iyar 17	May 2
Esther Goldstein	Iyar 18	May 3
Stanley Lewin	Iyar 28	May 13
Alfred Levy	Sivan 7	May 21
Joseph Goodman	Sivan 13	May 27
Mary Garber	Sivan 15	May 29
Maurice Goldstein	Sivan 15	May 29
Les Gubkin	Sivan 18	Jun 1
Alex Flatt	Sivan 24	Jun 7
Albert Shepard	Sivan 24	Jun 7
Carol Beckwith	Sivan 24	Jun 7
Seymour Newman	Sivan 25	Jun 8
Clara Goldberg	Sivan 25	Jun 8
Mary Libby	Sivan 27	Jun 10
Helen Gubkin	Sivan 27	Jun 10
H. Tucker	Sivan 28	Jun 11
Bertram Siegel	Sivan 29	Jun 12
Doris Levy	Tamuz 1	Jun 14
Leonard Levy	Tamuz 10	Jun 23
Adele K. Blumenthal	Tamuz 18	Jul 1
Abraham Rosenthal	Tamuz 19	Jul 2
Maude Lewin	Tamuz 20	Jul 3
Eva Caplin	Tamuz 21	Jul 4
Anna Grodzen	Tamuz 23	Jul 6
Michael Temkin	Tamuz 24	Jul 7
Edward Lewin	Tamuz 25	Jul 8
Seymour Greenberg	Tamuz 29	Jul 12
Mae Sharin	Av 2	Jul 14
Harold Bernson	Av 13	Jul 25
Freida Caplin	Av 29	Aug 10
Helen Cheskin	Elul 2	Aug 13
Evelyn Goldberg	Elul 7	Aug 18
Ruth Fisher	Elul 9	Aug 20
Eugene Spiro	Elul 16	Aug 27

### Onegs & Kiddushes:

If you would like to supply the challah, wine, snack and/or juice for our social time after a Shabbat Service, please contact Rabbi Efraim at [Rabbiefraim1@gmail.com](mailto:Rabbiefraim1@gmail.com) or (413) 687-3420

Also, if you will be attending Shabbat services, please let Rabbi Efraim know, if possible by that Wednesday ([Rabbiefraim1@gmail.com](mailto:Rabbiefraim1@gmail.com) or (413) 687-3420). Sometimes there is a congregant who especially needs a minyan for reciting the Kaddish, and on Saturdays, we would like to have a minyan so we can read from the Torah.

### Pesach:

Congregation Ahavas Achim joined with Westfield State University's Jewish Student Organization for a Community Passover Seder on Tuesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Scanlon Hall - Loughlin Living Room. The Seder was run by JSO Westfield State students along with Rabbi Robert Sternberg and Rabbi Efraim Eisen.

It was attended by members of the Congregation and their families, as well as a group of students from Westfield State. It was a joyous celebration, a delicious meal and a very enjoyable evening for all who were there.

Many thanks to Fran Eisenberg, Meytal Raikhman and Devorah Lipschitz for their joint effort in bringing this Seder together for all to enjoy.

### Dues Reminder:

Dues were payable in full by February 15<sup>th</sup>. Please remit any unpaid balance, as soon as possible, to Cong. Ahavas Achim, P.O. Box 334, Westfield, MA 01086. Contact Nancy Rapisarda at [Rappercpa@aol.com](mailto:Rappercpa@aol.com) or call (413) 562-9491 if you have questions concerning your balance.

### Outdoor Adult Education At Noble View Outdoor Center:

Congregation Ahavas Achim is hosting an Adult Education at AMC Noble View Outdoor Center, North Cottage, at 635 S. Quarter Road, Russell, MA, on Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, from 4pm to 7pm. Rabbi Efraim will discuss, "What is our role and/or responsibility as Jews in today's America?" It is free to attend and members, non-members, friends, and family are all welcome to come. Please RSVP to: [ahavasachiminquiry@gmail.com](mailto:ahavasachiminquiry@gmail.com)

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Birthday wishes go out to the following:

Gregory Beckwith	May 12 <sup>th</sup>
Brooke Beckwith	May 13 <sup>th</sup>
Alyssa Eisenberg	June 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Robert Wool	July 12 <sup>th</sup>
Susan Beckwith	July 14 <sup>th</sup>
Arthur Haselkorn	July 30 <sup>th</sup>

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Anniversary wishes go out to the following:

Glenn & Susan Beckwith	May 17 <sup>th</sup>
Nancy & Bill Rapisarda	May 26 <sup>th</sup>
Michael & Barbara Davenport	July 7 <sup>th</sup>
Robert Wool & Lynne Goldberg	July 9 <sup>th</sup>
Wendy & Bob Blondin	Aug 6 <sup>th</sup>
Nate & Carol Rosenthal	Aug 12 <sup>th</sup>

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