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September 1, 2020

Dear Members of Congregation Ahavath Sholom,

I hope you are all safe and healthy. We are looking forward to spending the High Holy Days with you virtually and in person. Since we are ready to welcome a limited number of people into the shul for services, I want to be sure our expectations and guidelines are clearly before you as you make your own best decision about attending.

All services will be held in the Barnett Sanctuary. In light of our new normal, please bring your personal tallit and kippah for use in services. Attendance is limited to those who have pre-registered by contacting the office and/or completing the registration form presented in a special email sent from the CAS office.

Because of the physical distance needed to ensure the six-foot minimum distancing, we will have assigned seating. Assigned seating is NOT reserved seating. We cannot ensure that your usual seating choice is open or available. Although we will do our best to seat you close to your regular place, we cannot seat all the folks from three rows into the one row open. Because of the seating limitations, we are asking that only six (6) members of a family register to attend a single service. We will work to ensure that every member family that requests to attend in-person services be offered the opportunity. That said, you may be seated at one service but not a second if you have requested such.

Only those who have become a B'Nai Mitzvah or older may attend services in person. Those in an at-risk population are encouraged to worship at home. CAS does not assume liability or responsibility for your health and cannot assure you that you will not contract the coronavirus. Your safety is most important. We suggest everyone read and follow the CDC guidelines and take actions you feel appropriate.

**Here is our checklist of expectations:**

- Ensure you are pre-registered. If you have not pre-registered to attend in-person services, you may not attend. We will be taking attendance (rather like when we were in grade school) for contact tracing should a COVID-19 case surface.
- Facial mask/covering over nose & mouth is required to enter the building. Those unwilling or unable to cover their mouth and nose may not enter the building. Facial covering remains in place in all common spaces, which includes your seat as well as hallways and restrooms.
- Hand sanitizer is available at the entrance. You will be given a small amount to rub in while your temperature is checked.
- Gloves can spread the germs just as easily as your hands. Gloves are not required to enter, but if you choose you to use them, you must also use hand sanitizer.

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# FROM OUR RABBI



Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur will soon be upon us. While they are usually challenging spiritually and religiously, the challenges facing us this year, in the midst of COVID-19, are even greater. The High Holy Days

and many of our spirits have hit upon hard times. The question being, "How do we survive hard times?"

There are times in life whereby this question becomes even more important. Religiously we can say that with faith in God and with His love, we can overcome any hardships. This has been proven over and over throughout history. One merely needs to look at Jewish history to see how strong belief can be. Belief is one of the few things in life that cannot be taken away from you. However, what if a person is not religious? In this case, belief would not be able to sustain him. Thereby, we need a different approach to this question.

Friedrich Wilhelm Nietzsche (Oct. 15, 1844 - Aug. 25, 1900) was a German philosopher. Within his writings, we find a secular answer to the question above. Nietzsche wrote, "He who has a why to live for can bear almost anyhow." In other words, the motivation that can help us through the darkest of moments is a "goal" or "purpose" upon which to focus and live.

Viktor Frankl in his book, Man's Search for Meaning, took Nietzsche's philosophy one more step. He said, "What sort of person he [man] would wind up being depended upon what sort of inner decision he would make in response to his circumstances."

Accordingly, we can understand that surviving difficult circumstances is a personal decision; that only we as individuals can truly answer. There is no "correct way" or "secret path" to follow. Rather we must follow our inner core, both religiously and secularly. The most important thing is that our cores be strong with self-belief, confidence, purpose, and a will to matter, not just exist.

There is a story in the Talmud that has much to teach us in today's atmosphere and in many ways answers our questions from above. The story can be found in the

Babylonian Talmud Tractate Ta'anit 23a and is the predecessor to the modern-day story, Honi, The Circle Maker. The story itself reads:

*Rabbi Yohanan said, "This righteous man [Honi] was troubled throughout the whole of his life concerning the meaning of the verse, 'A Song of Ascents': When the Lord brought back those that returned to Zion, we were like dreamers."*

*[Honi asked], "Is it possible for seventy years to be like a dream? How could anyone sleep for seventy years?"*

*One day Honi was journeying on the road and he saw a man planting a carob tree. He asked, "How long does it take [for this tree] to bear fruit?"*

*The man replied, "Seventy years."*

*Honi then further asked him, "Are you certain that you will live another seventy years?"*

*The man replied, "I found [already grown] carob trees in the world; as my forefathers planted those for me so I too plant these for my children."*

The message here is about a long-term perspective and what kind of world we want to leave to our children and grandchildren. While each of us needs to answer this question for ourselves, I hope that we will all answer and act like the man who was planting the seeds of the Carob Tree. For, "there will be peace for the seed" (Zechariah 8:12).

Finally, on a personal note, as we enter this period of the High Holy Days, my inner message will be one of "hope." For in my view, hope is the strongest antidote to worry that there is. Thus, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your understanding. Seek His will in all you do, and He will show you which path [confidence and belief in a better future] to take" (Psalm 3:5-6).

Our futures are bright, even though our holidays might not seem to be so full of light at this moment. However, let us not forget that Judaism and humanity have survived billions of years with belief in God and through mutual support. I pray that no matter if we are in the sanctuary or on Zoom, we will offer this mutual support to each other and thus plant our future Carob trees.

On behalf of Michal, Daniel, Maya, Lia, Rocky, and myself, we would like to wish everyone and all of Am Yisrael, a Shanah Tovah U'Mtukah (a sweet and happy New Year). May we all be written and sealed in the Book of Life.

B'shalom and Friendship,  
Rabbi Andrew Bloom

# FROM OUR HAZZAN



## Praying Alone - Together

Did you ever wonder why we get together to pray as opposed to having private moments connecting with God and nature? Why are there prayers which, even when we are in a group, we are not supposed to say out loud unless we have a large enough group? If a person is in mourning or observing a Yahrzeit, one is

supposed to say Kaddish, but we are not supposed to do so if there isn't a minyan of ten people. Why is it so important that we are together?

In the case of saying Kaddish Yatom, which means Orphan's Kaddish, not Mourners Kaddish, the idea is that a person is not alone during a tough time like that. They knew way back then that it is important to be with the community both during good as well as more difficult times. You may have tried praying alone, whether it has been a formal prayer or just your own personal version of prayer. Sometimes it can be very meaningful, yet at other times it clearly would be better with your community. We engage together. We enjoy singing or hearing the tunes we know and love as well as learning new ones which can help to bring us further along our spiritual journey. We all experience this, even your Clergy.

I imagine that we who are leading services remotely, by Zoom or another platform, must be having a similar experience to the TV shows, which usually have a live audience. Having been on the performer's side of things in my past career, I already knew what it was like to work hard preparing for a show. You must know the words and music and then perform them. However, depending on the type of performance, one can't really change things too much, as in an Opera, or one might be able to vary things and interpret the music, as in a pop or rock concert. To a degree, this does carry through to leading services as well.

The Rabbi and I are used to having you with us in person and being able to interact. I have been able to change which tunes I might use when leading a prayer, judging by who is in the room and how people are reacting. We can "read the room" and react accordingly. Now imagine leading services and not having any of that feedback. It would be so easy to fall into a rut and just keep repeating the same thing week after week.

I think about the late-night show hosts and comedians who deliver monologues and have to keep their energy and focus without any audience feedback. It is not easy. Having services using Zoom lets us see you and sometimes hear you. For us, it makes things so much better, and we hope it does for you as well. The days when we have other people in the room, services are even better. We get to see you

online, but we also get to interact more while observing social distancing and other health and safety rules.

As Disney once put it, "It's a whole new world." Now we can participate with you actively in person and online. Just like in real life, if you want to be a passive participant and "sit in the back," you can watch on Facebook without "being seen." Who knows what the next innovation might be. I eagerly await the time when we can all be together, in person, in prayer, and community.

Stay healthy. Stay safe.  
Hazzan Jeffrey Weber

## FROM OUR ADMINISTRATOR

For this month's article, I want to share a few things we are working to create to keep you connected to CAS. As the High Holy Days approach, you will miss the time of gathering and sharing with the CAS family more than any other time these past months.



The Board of Directors has approved a hybrid of in-person and online services for the High Holy Days. We have some new ground to cover in preparing for who and how. (The what, when, and where are covered!)

WHO will be attending the services in person? Who prefers to worship online? Who would like to just be left alone? You will see a special email from us asking about your preferences. You will choose either online or in-person worship while following the guidelines outlined in detail. We want you to be clear about our expectations and process so you may choose what is best for you and yours.

HOW are we doing this? I am working with two small teams to help me logistically. One team will look at the in-person attendance process (seating, scheduling, check-in, logistics); the other on how our members can worship at home.

In the meantime, I thank you for continuing to be a part of Ahavath Sholom.

Pattie Wood, CAS Administrator

## Need to Update Your Contact Information?

Have you moved, changed your phone number, or need to update your email address? Have you missed receiving the bulletin or other communications from the shul?

**Please call the office (817-731-4721) or email ([info@ahavathsholom.org](mailto:info@ahavathsholom.org))** to update your contact information. Please remember, you don't want to miss Rabbi Bloom's classes, important news, or events/celebrations (like Daniel's Bar Mitzvah or Rich's soup).



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am writing this letter to you as many things are happening at the Shul. I will give it to you in bullet form to make it easier to digest.

- Your board has agreed to open the Shul for the High Holy Days. There will be many restrictions, so look for details soon. The reason we agreed to open is that our experts said we could make it reasonable for some people to attend. Also, more than 40% of you who responded to our survey said you would like to attend.
- Like most synagogues in the world, we have a bit of a financial problem. However, if those who have unpaid dues or pledges will simply pay, we will be in good shape. We belong to a Shul because we elect to support our community. If you need a variance on your dues, we now have an active committee to manage that. It is being run by three long term Shul members.
- Our Brunch in a Box was a big hit. We were able to offer it at a very low price because we had much of the ingredients already available. You can count on at least one more "box" that will be available in the future. Our next "box" will be a bit more expensive, but not crazy. Thank you to those who sponsored boxes for others.
- Finally, in today's news, it was announced that the UAE and Israel are going to have diplomatic relationships. My friends, this is huge for Israel and the peace of the world. Look for more mid-eastern countries to follow suit. If you can dream, dream of the creativity Israel will add to the world as it spends more energy on things other than defense. I am forever an optimist. I am sure this is a sign our new year will be full of milk and honey.

Rich Hollander  
President, Congregation Ahavath Sholom  
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**CAS Board of Directors meetings are open to all congregants.** Meeting dates are listed in the monthly calendar in each Bulletin and are typically held in the synagogue building. Meetings are currently convened remotely (e.g., using Zoom during the COVID-19 epidemic). Please notify the CAS office if you need electronic access information.

## LEARNING & ENGAGEMENT CENTER



### Meet Our New Principal

The Learning and Engagement Center has a new Principal!

Becky Bar-Lev Henning lived in Be'er-Sheva, Israel, from the ages of 3 to 9. Coming back to the US, her family

affiliated with a Conservative synagogue, where she had her bat mitzvah and later worked as a madricha. During college at UCLA, she taught at Sinai Temple's Hebrew school. In graduate school at Georgetown University, she studied Linguistics and Teaching English as a Second Language and taught at Adas Israel Synagogue. After graduate school, she taught English at a Cantonese university in Mainland China. On the weekends, she took the train to Hong Kong to teach at the ex-pat Hebrew school and to spend Shabbat with the Jewish community.

When she and her husband moved to San Diego, they rejoined her childhood synagogue. There Morah Becky not only taught the kindergarten class for 12 years, but also the 6th and 7th graders, and bar and bat mitzvah students. She also helped her father, a linguistics professor, adapt his Hebrew language program to the supplementary school setting. That is how she became acquainted with the Sam S. Bloom Learning Center that hired her as their director after using her Hebrew program for a year. She was the director there for six years until they moved their family to the Dallas area in the summer of 2020 for her husband's new job.

Please extend a hearty welcome to Morah Becky and her family.

### Learning and Engagement Center Schedule

- **Sunday, September 6**-Labor Day, no school
- **Sunday, September 13**-Preparing for Rosh Hashana (and Sukkot) school-wide program
- **Saturday, September 19**-Shabbat and Rosh Hashana Youth Services, details TBA
- **Sunday, September 20**-Second day of Rosh Hashana, no school
- **Sunday, September 27**-Yom Kippur Eve, no school
- **Monday, September 28**-Yom Kippur Youth Services, details TBA

## THINK ABOUT YOUR HEALTH

In the midst of our rightful concern about the novel coronavirus, we must remember our health can be affected by more than just COVID-19. Dr. Murray Cohen provided us with wonderful facts to keep in mind as we sift through the information presented through media sources. We must be aware that long-established and known viruses and diseases can still attack our bodies. That said, please remember to consider the lives around you.

Our congregation has a large number of members over the age of 60. Most likely, you were vaccinated as a child (think measles, mumps, rubella or diphtheria, pertussis & tetanus). Our immunities from these vaccines diminish with time, which means you will want to talk with your doctors about whether you have active immunities. A blood test can be ordered by your physician to make that determination.

Additionally, please consider getting your flu shot or any other recommended preventative. If you need a vaccine, please do not wait. You do not want to compound one health concern with the potential of another. Stay safe; stay healthy.

## PLEASE REMEMBER...

**Please remain home if you are experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms. Please use your best judgment in following the guidelines from the CDC. It is our responsibility to ensure the safety of all.**

## ON SITE SERVICES INFORMATION

We're looking forward to seeing everyone as we phase into in-person meetings at CAS. At the same time, we want to ensure that we do this as safely and cautiously as is needed to protect human life by not spreading COVID-19.

### WHAT TO EXPECT



**CLEANING:** Cleaning and sanitizing will occur prior to and following Minyan and Shabbat services in the Barnett Sanctuary. Bathrooms will be cleaned daily with additional surface cleaning during Shabbat services.

**FACE MASKS:** You will be required to wear facial covering (covers both nose and mouth) unless medical necessity dictates or you are under 2 years old.



**PEWS:** Every third row is open. Please sit only as a household family unit with three seats between you and the next family unit.



**ARRIVAL:** When you arrive, please enter through the north doors. You will be provided a mask to wear if you do not have personal facial covering. You are asked to use hand sanitizer at the door. Ushers will assist with seating for Shabbat services.

You will register your attendance (in case a COVID-19 case arises). **EXITING:** Visiting with your friends and family is encouraged **OUTSIDE** the building. Ushers will dismiss by row beginning with the rear and moving forward.

**List of Services (these are open to change based upon medical developments):**

Date	Time	Event	Date	Time	Event
Mon., Aug. 31	6:55 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan	Mon., Sep. 14	6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan
	6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan	Thu., Sep. 17	6:45 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan
Thu., Sep. 3	6:55 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan		6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan
	6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan	Mon., Sep. 21	6:55 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan
Mon., Sep. 7	6:55 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan		6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan
	6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan	Thu., Sep. 24	6:55 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan
Thu., Sep. 10	6:55 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan		6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan
	6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan	Mon., Sep. 28	6:55 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan
Mon., Sep. 14	6:55 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan		6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan



## Hailey Anne Seiden and Alex Jacob Seiden are soon to be called to the Torah as B'Nai-Mitzvah.

Hailey and Alex were scheduled to be called to the Torah last March when the coronavirus radically changed our world. Their mitzvah projects were completed in the advance of the pandemic, which means both Hailey and Alex chose to donate their time doing what they love.

Hailey, who avidly participates at The Cheer Connection, volunteered her time to work with the special needs cheer team. Alex spent his time working with children improving their tennis skills.

Mazal Tov!

## Send Honey for Rosh Hashana

Rosh Hashana begins on September 18 and will be here before you know it! More than ever, this year is a perfect time to think of your family and friends and wish them a healthy and happy new year with a bottle of honey. **Each 12-ounce bottle is just \$18**, which includes delivery or shipping within the United States. Each card can be personalized to express your own thoughtful message. **All orders must be placed by Thursday, September 10.**

To order your honey online, go to <https://ahavathsholom.org/basics/contact/> to fill out the online contact form and direct your message to the Gift Shop. Indicate the names and addresses of your recipients, and your desired message. Then use the "Pay CAS" payment form under the Membership Tab to submit your payment. Indicate you are paying for the "Honey Fundraiser."

You can also print page 1 and page 2 of the order form from the CAS website, complete your payment and recipient information, and mail it to the synagogue.

Your purchase benefits the programs of the Congregation Ahavath Sholom Ladies' Auxiliary. Shanah tovah!

## CAS GIFT SHOP

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September 19, 2020**

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# SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Date	Time	Event
Thu., Sep. 3	6:55 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan
	6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan
Fri., Sep. 4	6:00 PM	Virtual Kabbalat Shabbat
Sat., Sep. 5	9:30 AM	Virtual Shabbat Service
Mon., Sep. 7		Labor Day CAS Office is Closed
Mon., Sep. 7	9:00 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan
	6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan
Tue., Sep. 8	6:30 PM	Executive Committee Meeting
Thu., Sep. 10	6:55 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan
	6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan
Fri., Sep. 11	6:00 PM	Virtual Kabbalat Shabbat
Sat., Sep. 12	8:30 PM	Selichot
Sat., Sep. 12	9:30 AM	Virtual Shabbat Service
Sun., Sep. 13		LEC Rosh Hashana Program
Mon., Sep. 14	6:55 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan
	6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan
	6:30 PM	Board of Directors Meeting
Thu., Sep. 17	6:55 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan
	6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan

Date	Time	Event
Fri., Sep. 18	6:00 PM	Erev Rosh Hashana
Sat., Sep. 19	9:00 AM	Rhosh Hashana
	6:00 PM	Mincha/Maariv
Sun., Sep. 20	9:00 AM	2nd Day Rhosh Hashana
	4:30 PM	Tashlich
	6:00 PM	Mincha/Maariv
Mon., Sep. 21	6:55 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan
	6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan
Thu., Sep. 24	6:45 AM	In-Person Morning Minyan
	6:00 PM	In-Person Evening Minyan
Fri., Sep. 25	6:00 PM	Virtual Kabbalat Shabbat
Sat., Sep. 26	9:30 AM	Virtual Shabbat Service
Sun., Sep. 27	1:00 PM	Kever Avot CAS Cemetery
	7:00 PM	Kol Nidre
Mon., Sep. 28	9:00 AM	Yom Kippur With Yizkor Service
	5:00 PM	Additional Yizkor
	6:00 PM	Mincha/Neila
	8:00 PM	Sounding of the Shofar

## HIGH HOLY DAY RESERVATIONS

To RSVP for High Holy Day Services, please do one of the following:

- Complete the Google Form that is available in the weekly Shabbat Constant Contact and on the CAS website ([www.ahavathsholom.org/](http://www.ahavathsholom.org/)).
- Email: [info@ahavathsholom.org](mailto:info@ahavathsholom.org) to request the form.
- Call the CAS office 817-731-4721

\*\*\*Due to limited seating, members will be given preference, seating is assigned and is available on a first-come/first-serve basis.



### Etrog and Lulov Sets

**Erev Sukkot will begin on Friday, October 2nd. It's not too early to order your Etrog and Lulov Sets!**

**Regular \$40 Prime \$45 Deluxe \$47**

**Please call the office 817-731-4721 to place your order by Thursday, September 10th.**

# CELEBRATIONS

## Birthdays

Sept. 1	Charles Morris	Sept. 12	David Saul	Sept. 23	Mia Todd
Sept. 1	Bernice Sankary	Sept. 13	Howard Cole	Sept. 24	Jesse Morris
Sept. 1	Ken Sherwin	Sept. 13	Paul Kessler	Sept. 24	Sheila Stocker
Sept. 3	Susan Ellis	Sept. 13	Genevieve Michel	Sept. 25	Idelle Luskey
Sept. 3	Laurie Roberts	Sept. 15	James Owen	Sept. 25	Linda Moses
Sept. 5	John Hayden	Sept. 16	Edo Knitel	Sept. 25	Rebekah Seiden
Sept. 5	Richard Kessler	Sept. 16	Jack Rubin	Sept. 26	Virginia Barkman
Sept. 6	Rod Brautbar	Sept. 17	Brett Paul	Sept. 26	Marla Owen
Sept. 6	Debra Solomon	Sept. 17	Sara Schuster	Sept. 27	Michael Herman
Sept. 7	Laurie Blum	Sept. 18	Rosalyn Rosenthal	Sept. 27	Isabel Oscherwitz
Sept. 7	Aaron Cohen	Sept. 19	Allen Hearne	Sept. 27	Kathy Raffel
Sept. 8	Jarrold Collins	Sept. 19	Roni Kaikov	Sept. 28	Dr. Phillip Cohen
Sept. 9	Amanda Ohana	Sept. 20	Jenesse Collins	Sept. 29	Harold Gernsbacher
Sept. 10	Melissa Cohen	Sept. 20	Hazzan Jeffrey Weber	Sept. 29	Dr. Jennifer Ratner
Sept. 11	Will Kutler	Sept. 23	Stephen Kaye	Sept. 30	Penny Brister
Sept. 11	Joyce Rovinsky				

## Wedding Anniversaries

Years

Years

Sept. 1	Elaine and Dr. Allen Schuster	52	Sept. 5	Donna and Robert Chicotsky	44
Sept. 2	Jodi and Scott Berger	30	Sept. 5	Alana and Beau Tinnin	10
Sept. 2	Tatyana and Mikhail Kisin	8	Sept. 6	Laurie and Lon Werner	44
Sept. 3	Amy and Michael Luskey	31	Sept. 14	Shirry and Theodor Knitel	16
Sept. 4	Charles and Lynell Bond Norman	9	Sept. 18	Kimberly and Robert Goldberg	22



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# YAHREZITS - MAY THE MEMORY OF OUR LOVED ONES BE A BLESSING FOREVER

<p><b>Tue., Sept. 1</b> <b>12 Elul</b> Bernard Drasnin Libby Goldberg Hyman Hurwitz Gerald Kanoff Elias Michan Florene Solomon Rafield Belle Schuster Moris Silver</p> <p><b>Wed., Sept. 2</b> <b>13 Elul</b> Ben Bernstein Harry Bloomberg James Goldberg Carmen Hazan- Cohen Mollie Lobel Sarah Schear White</p> <p><b>Thu., Sept. 3</b> <b>14 Elul</b> Jon Ray Davidson Lauraine Rhoda Lobel Julius Neerman Herb Ross Joseph Rothschild Felice Sherwin Dr. William Nathan Zuckerman</p> <p><b>Fri., Sept. 4</b> <b>15 Elul</b> Isaac Barnett Irving Daniel Pruden Eva Smith Morris Zeitlin</p> <p><b>Sat., Sept. 5</b> <b>16 Elul</b> Osvaldo S. Bleiweiss Esther Blinderman Mike Bornstein Sidney Dunn Ada Marcus Edelman Stephen Friedman</p> <p><b>Sun., Sept. 6</b> <b>17 Elul</b> Reuben Abrams Jack Friedman Anna Rebecca Goldstein Eva Lewis Shalom Yaacobi</p> <p><b>Mon., Sept. 7</b> <b>18 Elul</b> Oscar Lavine Nettie Marcus Charlie B. Owen</p>	<p><b>Mon., Sept. 7 (ctn.)</b> <b>18 Elul</b> Rose Youngworth Sandler Sidney Jack Shelby</p> <p><b>Tue., Sept. 8</b> <b>19 Elul</b> Sam Berg Sam Carshon Joe Dworkin Sara Rebecca Ellman Max Herman Gertrude Persky Laves Martin Pinsley</p> <p><b>Wed., Sept. 9</b> <b>20 Elul</b> Ruth Bloch Joe Cohen Leo Koppelman Amy Philip Maltz Anna Rosenberg Sarah Leah Stettner</p> <p><b>Thur., Sept. 10</b> <b>21 Elul</b> Jennie Labovitz Baum Ida Cohn Sarah Kalmes David Klimist Tillie Levine Cilla Zilberg</p> <p><b>Fri., Sept. 11</b> <b>22 Elul</b> Lena Baum Kay Bishop Esther Gilbert Matilda Kohn Joseph Daniel Paddock Eziza Rashti Louise Sepkowitz</p> <p><b>Sat., Sept. 12</b> <b>23 Elul</b> Samuel Abramowitz Sarah Belsky Regina Berg Lola Bodzy Byers Murray Norman Friedman Sonia Maree Hecht Seigfried Herzfeld Rachel Jacobs Elaine Moss Lena Feibush Werner</p> <p><b>Sun., Sept. 13</b> <b>24 Elul</b> Lillian Ashinsky Joseph Blostein</p>	<p><b>Sun., Sept. 13 (ctn.)</b> <b>24 Elul</b> Sarah Friedman Michael Hollander Cecile Kaye Mildred Cook Klimist Max Walen Jake Weisblatt Henry Wolf Ben Zodin</p> <p><b>Mon., Sept. 14</b> <b>25 Elul</b> Emma Beckerman Abraham J. Cohen Florence Nachbar David Peska Minnie Saltzberg Hannah Wolstein</p> <p><b>Tue., Sept. 15</b> <b>26 Elul</b> Fannie Drabkin Lena Dworkin Marji Weisblatt Goone Herbert Joseph Kleiman Julius Lachinsky Philip David Mallin Morris Nudleman Jack Philip Mary Anne Passmore Wessels</p> <p><b>Wed., Sept. 16</b> <b>27 Elul</b> Pearl Diamond Jack Ellman Sam Levy Keile Neomi Lind Jack Nass</p> <p><b>Thu., Sept. 17</b> <b>28 Elul</b> Leon Harold Brachman Albert Cohen Katherine Deutch Rachel Ginsburg Sophia Shwiff Robinson Sarah Schwartz</p> <p><b>Fri., Sept. 18</b> <b>29 Elul</b> Jerry Berkowitz Natalie Berman Lulu L. Doss Nettie Freeman Engler Harry Finkelstein George Fischl Sol Friedberg Manel Oxeman (baby)</p>	<p><b>Sat., Sept. 19</b> <b>1 Tishrei</b> Bernard Chary Abraham Freedling Dr. Jack Margolis Family Pila Mary Schiff Maxine Schwartz Gertrude B. Weisman Basha Feige Zeitlin</p> <p><b>Sun., Sept. 20</b> <b>2 Tishrei</b> Max Appel Daniel Cohen Harold Cooper Jerry Herman Frank Hanna Rubin</p> <p><b>Mon., Sept. 21</b> <b>3 Tishrei</b> Ann Rovinsky Bailin Carmen Melida Ojeda Lederman Herbert Rosenzweig Sarah Freda Shanblum M. Aaron Shiffer Yetta Speier Lena Susman Myer Victor Ben Weitzer</p> <p><b>Tue., Sept. 22</b> <b>4 Tishrei</b> Sam Bailin Jack Schuster</p> <p><b>Wed., Sept. 23</b> <b>5 Tishrei</b> Louis Baumer Harry Cohn Joseph Gressel Samuel Levy Stuart Tirsun Harry Zelinsky</p> <p><b>Thu., Sept. 24</b> <b>6 Tishrei</b> Valentine Pikkell I.J. Prager Lenore Secunda</p> <p><b>Fri., Sept. 25</b> <b>7 Tishrei</b> Esther Alpert Ted Brown Sarah Fried Helen Kahalnik Fannie Schwartz Sam Spigel Fannie Wexler</p>	<p><b>Sat., Sept. 26</b> <b>8 Tishrei</b> Meyer Greines Dr. David Weisman Hirsch Carl S. Hoffman Tamara Kaikov Ethel Kaplan Ismael Lobato Fannie Potishman Sam Reznikoff Beverly Schwartz Julia Schwartz</p> <p><b>Sun., Sept. 27</b> <b>9 Tishrei</b> Willard Glazer Barry Green Elsie Klimist Greenberg Seymour Kanoff Murray Landers Maurice Rabinowitz</p> <p><b>Mon., Sept. 28</b> <b>10 Tishrei</b> Zalmen Boguslawski Harry Louis Eckert Moshe Fersztman Rabbi Isadore Garsek Gittel Sack Sarah Sack Yaakov Sack Lippa Sandler Rose Schwartz Joseph Sliski Leah Sliski Matie Bockstein Thompson</p> <p><b>Sat., Sept. 29</b> <b>11 Tishrei</b> Anne Lubin Beleck Lois Diamond Cochrane Clara Goldweber Bertha Oxman Herbert Paul Lipsha Sandler</p> <p><b>Sun., Sept. 30</b> <b>12 Tishrei</b> Louis Dworkin Solomon S. Griver Dr. Richard Carl Hochberger Harry S. Kahn Hannah Goldman Kline Leopold Loevy J. William Nachbar Robert Philip Max Rohman</p>
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## HIGH HOLY DAY INFORMATION (CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE)

- Your temperature will be checked with a touchless thermometer. If your temperature is above 100 degrees, you will be asked to stand to the side for a recheck. If it still over 100 degrees, you will be asked to leave.
- Books for minyan and Shabbat have been covered. Please use only those books that have plastic covers. We added these covers so we can disinfect after each use. Books will be returned to a "used" book cart for disinfecting.
- To create extreme social distance, we have opened only every third row. On an open row, we will assign seats to leave a minimum of five (5) seats between family units residing in the same house. The chairs in the Cohn Hall and Zale Auditorium have been removed between family units to create the same extreme distancing spaces.
- You should remain in your seats with your nose and mouth covered. If you must leave your seat, please know that your nose and mouth should remain covered and you should not linger or socialize indoors. We will encourage you to return to your seats or move outside if needed.
- Congregants will be dismissed from the back to the front to facilitate social distancing.
- You will take your kippah home with you and bring it back with you the next time you enter.
- All will exit the building following services, being dismissed by row to ensure appropriate social distancing.

We are using these measures for the safety of our congregation. We know all of you understand and will cordially abide by these guidelines.

Following services, the Barnett Sanctuary will be cleaned and prepared for its next use. The restrooms, of course, will be sanitized prior to and between services.

### List of Services (these are open to change based upon medical developments):

Saturday, September 12	8:30 pm	Selichot
Friday, September 18	6:00 pm	Erev Rosh Hashana
Saturday, September 19	9:00 am	1 <sup>st</sup> Day Rosh Hashana
	6:00 pm	Mincha/Maariv
Sunday, September 20	9:00 am	2 <sup>nd</sup> Day Rosh Hashana
	4:30 pm	Tashlich
	6:00 pm	Mincha/Maariv
Sunday, September 27	1:00 pm	Kever Avot (at Cemetery)
	7:00 pm	Kol Nidre
Monday, September 28	9:00 am	Yom Kippur with Yizkor Service
	5:00 pm	Additional Yizkor
	6:00 pm	Mincha/Neila
	8:00 pm	Sounding of the Shofar

These High Holy Days are different than anything our congregation has ever attempted. When you come, our hope is you can embrace the spirituality of the occasion. For the part of our congregation "zooming" in, we are also working diligently to deliver to you spiritual and meaningful services.

Stay Safe,

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# CONTRIBUTIONS

## Catering Fund

**In Appreciation :Soup**  
Laurie and Lon Werner

## Dave Klimist Cemetery Beautification Fund

*Yahrzeit*  
*In loving memory of:*  
**Samuel Abramowitz**  
Joyce Abramowitz  
**Sarah Fried**  
Shirley Givant

## Cemetery Irrigation Project

*Yahrzeit*  
*In loving memory of:*  
**Marvin Schuster**  
Wendy and Jay Newberger  
**Harry Rubin**  
Wendy and Jay Newberger

## Chevre Kadisha

*In loving memory of:*  
**Jim Bressert**  
Kim, Jetti, and David Cole

## Wish List Donations

Janet Williamson and Mike Reznikoff

## General Operating Fund

*In Honor of:*  
**Jim Stanton's Birthday**  
Lynn and Dr. Eliot Slovin  
**Drs. Charwynne and Barry Schneider's Marriage**  
Joan and Howard Katz  
**Ilene and Gerry Zenick's 51st Anniversary**  
Carole Rogers  
**Lynn and Eliot Slovin's 35th Anniversary**  
Carole Rogers  
**Jerry Stein's Presidency**  
Valerie and Stephen Kaye  
**Terri and Rich Hollander for their catering/food.**  
Valerie and Stephen Kaye  
*For the Recovery of:*  
**Myra Schussler**  
Drs. Elizabeth & Murray Cohen  
*In loving memory of:*  
**Fira Shturman**  
Claudia Boksiner  
**Ronald Slovin**  
Carole Rogers  
Robin and Jerry Stein  
Jim Stanton

## General Operating Fund (continued)

*Yahrzeit*  
*In loving memory of:*  
**Max Lidell**  
Kara and Craig Lidell  
**David Shafir**  
Inessa and David Kisin  
**Malka Faynbaum**  
Inessa and David Kisin  
**Shalom Yaacobi**  
Rachel and Yoseph Yaacobi  
**Samuel Abramowitz**  
Mark Abramowitz  
**Miriam Rothschild**  
Riki and Dr. Michael Zide  
**Joe Rothschild**  
Riki and Dr. Michael Zide  
**Yetta Rubin**  
Elaine and Dr. Allen Schuster  
**Harry Rubin**  
Elaine and Dr. Allen Schuster  
**Morris Reznikoff**  
Janet Williamson and Mike Reznikoff  
**Polly Boardman**  
Ceil and David Canter

## Rabbi Garsek Patriot Garden Fund

*Yahrzeit*  
*In loving memory of:*  
**Rabbi Isadore Garsek**  
Patty and Elliott Garsek

## Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

**In Appreciation of the Brunch in a Box**  
Rebecca and Stuart Isgur

*Yahrzeit*  
*In loving memory of:*  
**Sam Reznikoff**  
Janet Williamson and Michael Reznikoff  
**Joseph Gressel**  
Philip Gressel  
**Dr. Nancy Kessler**  
Richard Kessler  
**Shirley Rosenzweig**  
Neil Rosenzweig

## Religious Education Fund

*In Honor of:*  
**Daniel Kiselstein's Bar Mitzvah**  
From Grandma and Grandpa (Tony and Ary Kiselstein)

## Religious Education Fund (continued)

*For the Recovery of:*  
**Ava Beleck**  
Suzie and Ben Herman  
*In loving memory of:*  
**Harry Stein**  
Barbara and Dr. Dennis Schuster  
**Sam Cohen**  
Barbara Weinberg  
*Yahrzeit*  
*In loving memory of:*  
**Dr. Ronald Stocker**  
Sheila Stocker  
**Willard Glazer**  
Lynn and Jarrold Glazer  
**Stuart Tirsun**  
Robin and Daniel Tirsun  
**Sam Reznikoff**  
Rebecca and Stuart Isgur  
**Morton Weinberg**  
Barbara Weinberg



## Need Assistance?

During this time, if you or any congregant is in need for any reason, please contact Rabbi Bloom, Hazzan Weber or the CAS office (email: info@ahavathsholom.org or phone: 817-731-4721). We have plans in place to help.

## HOMETOWN HERO

CAS Member, Hedy Collins, Director of the Senior Citizens Program at Jewish Family Services was recently featured in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram's Hometown Heroes series. Marge Van Glesen and Miaou Ling Tjahjadi were also nominated and featured with Hedy.

These three women, dubbed "The Terrific Trio," deliver shelf-stable meals to seniors enrolled in the program. They also deliver medications and games, call program participants twice a week, and send letters and poems.

Dr. Carole Rogers, Director of Jewish Family Services, nominated "The Terrific Trio" because the program would not be successful without their dedication and teamwork.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram article, by Bryan Mena, was published in the Sunday, August 9th edition. It is available online at <https://www.star-telegram.com/news/rebuild/article244300187.html>.



Hedy Collins checks boxes of meals set for delivery July 20 as part of the program to deliver food to seniors during the pandemic at Beth-El Congregation in Fort Worth. Collins, Marge Van Glesen and Miaou Ling Tjahjadi were nominated for the Star-Telegram's Hometown Heroes series.



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## WISH LIST

We are grateful to everyone who has donated their resources to various CAS projects. We have been busy getting ready to re-open the synagogue and have found a few more items that need attention.

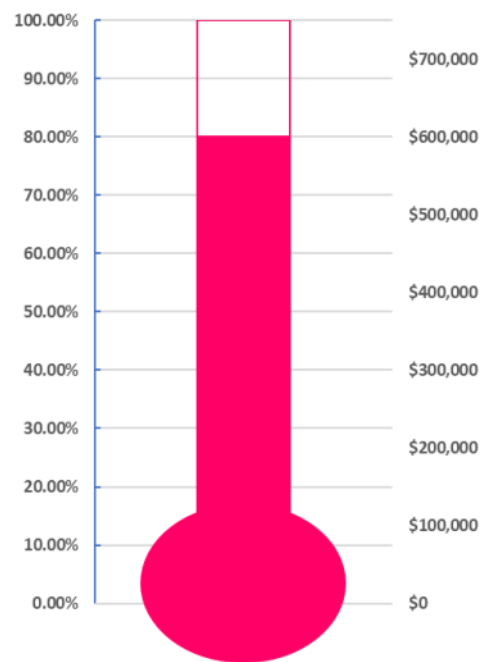
Monetary donations to our "Wish List" will help provide:

- **Dishwasher** for the Brachman Parlor kitchen
- **Commercial vacuum cleaner**
- **Landscaping** at north entrance
- **Convection Oven** for the meat kitchen
- **Congregation Ahavath Sholom monument-style** Briarhaven Rd sign

Any monetary donations for these items are greatly appreciated! This list will continue to grow and evolve, so know your donations are at work to make CAS reflect the welcome of the congregants.

You may call CAS (817-731-4721) or email ([info@ahavathsholom.org](mailto:info@ahavathsholom.org)) with your donation. Thank you!

Contributions Received



## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

As a part of our community-building and care for our CAS home, Rich Hollander and Pattie Wood are working toward creating volunteer opportunities. This provides an opportunity for engaging beyond education and worship.

- **Virtual Choir**      **Contact Hazzan Weber** - Email: [hazzan.weber@ahavathsholom.org](mailto:hazzan.weber@ahavathsholom.org)
- **Rake/remove leaves and sticks** from north entrance bed (less than 2 hours)
- **Move Mason Sand** from bed to Jewish War Veterans walkway (less than 2 hours)
- **Remove lava rock** from north entrance bed
- **Key Verification** (We have a number of keys that are mislabeled or have old designations)

**Contact Pattie Wood** - Email: [pattie.wood@ahavathsholom.org](mailto:pattie.wood@ahavathsholom.org)