

# Congregation Ahavath Achim

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## *From the Desk of the Rabbi*

### SHAVUOT AND THE BIG THREE

Ask a youngster, "What is Sukkot?" and you might hear, "That's the holiday when we build the sukkah!" Ask the same child, "What is Pesach?" and he or she will probably tell you, "That's the holiday when we eat matzah!" Then ask, "What is Shavuot?" and you might not get an answer at all. (By the way, this phenomenon is not restricted to children.)

Of the three Pilgrimage Festivals - the three occasions on which a Jew was required to come to the Holy Temple in Jerusalem with his offering, and which we celebrate today with special services and specific customs - Shavuot is the least well known and least likely to be observed.

Yet Shavuot should be a time of great joy, similar to what we experience on Simchat Torah. After all, on Simchat Torah we celebrate the completion of the annual reading of the Torah and we begin to read it all over again. In this case, shouldn't a holiday marking the occasion when the Jewish people received the Torah be equally as festive?

Part of the problem may be that we do not have anything tangible outside the synagogue to associate with the holiday. Yes, there is a custom to eat dairy foods on Shavuot. A variety of explanations exist for this practice, including that the Torah is compared to milk in Shir HaShirim, or that the letters which make up the word for milk in Hebrew have the numerical value of 40, and Moses spent forty days on Mt. Sinai receiving the Torah. However, these facts simply aren't as memorable or as significant as eating bitter herbs or matzah, or even hamantaschen. The services in the synagogue also have no special symbols or ritual objects. There is nothing like the Lulav and Etrog of Sukkot, nor are there flags or groggers to hold in one's hands.

The one thing of importance which we do have for Shavuot is the Torah, our most precious possession. Associating the Torah with one particular holiday does not work well though, because the Torah is read on all the holidays, and on Shabbat as well. What do we do on Shavuot which is only done this one time of the year? Several things.

For one, we read the Book of Ruth, one of the five Megillot. Ruth was a Moabite woman who married a Jewish man, and when her husband passed away, rather than return to her own people, she decided to become part of the Jewish people. Ruth accepted the Torah and all of its laws, and it is therefore appropriate that we read her story on the holiday which celebrates our people's acceptance of the Torah.

Second, on the first day of Shavuot just before we read from the Torah, some congregations recite the Akdamut - an Aramaic hymn composed in the 11<sup>th</sup> century. This poem praises the Jewish people's faithfulness to the Torah. Rather than just reading from the Torah as we do on all festivals, on Shavuot, some traditional congregations demonstrate their love for the Torah through a third custom; staying up the entire night studying Torah! This custom is called Tikkun Leil Shavuot. Tikkun means to repair or improve, and our hope is that through the study of Torah, people will find ways in which to repair and improve the not-yet-perfect world in which we live.

Finally, there is a custom which some communities observe, though I have not witnessed it myself, of

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## President's Message – Semantics

It's quite difficult for me to believe my year as your congregation president is nearly over. When I began my term, I wrote about how we all tend to count time in many ways during our lives. We're always on the brink of a threshold, waiting desperately for something, and then after it occurs, moving on to something else. It's hard to appreciate each moment and harder still to take an accounting and be appreciative of what we have.

Now as we come to the conclusion of this year, I wondered, what did we do differently this year, if anything? Here are a few things which came to my mind. Our Sunday school continues to grow and may meet a few more sessions next year, because both children and parents enjoy attending so much! We all enjoyed an AWESOME Chanukah play they put on for us.

Our library project is 99% complete; we're waiting for the enclosed top shelves to be built for our antique Torah covers. Last January, Sisterhood undertook our usual kitchen cleaning and we expanded to include the classroom hall closets, which had not been touched in years. We also decided to drastically cut back the Gift Shop inventory, although we will stock basic items and arrange special orders as needed.

We enjoyed an afternoon movie – "Woman in Gold" after our Congregation Meeting last January. I hope we continue this fun event, although we will try moving it to the little chapel next time! The Board also instituted our wonderful new e-Bulletin, and updated and expanded our website, moving CAA forward into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century technologically. We also made major repairs to our building and roof, which will now hold up for many years to come.

Last but not least, we have a beautiful member-donated herb and vegetable garden outside behind our kitchen. This will give us wonderful additions to our Sisterhood-prepared Shabbat brunches. I'd like to end this with a last thought. Why is it that graduation ceremonies are called Commencements? That word means 'beginning.' Shouldn't we mark the occasion as the end of many years of effort and hard work? I think most graduates don't even want to contemplate what comes next for at least a few days or even weeks...

Endings and beginnings - it's easy to think things never change, staying stagnant until something momentous occurs, but things are constantly happening all around us. It's up to all of us to take notice, be part of what's happening, and don't just wait for things to happen!

Thank you for the honor to serve this past year,  
Debbie Markowitz

### June Bimah Schedule

3 Dr. Stan Weiner	4 Steve Roosth
10 Ruth Elmakiss	11 Debbie Markowitz
17 Wally Newsom	18 Dale Latner
24 Debbie Markowitz	25 Dee Wapner

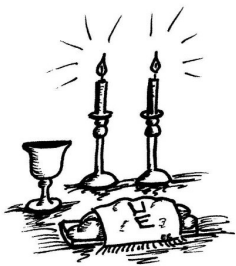
Remember, if you can't be on the Bimah, when scheduled, you need to find a replacement.

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Thank you !

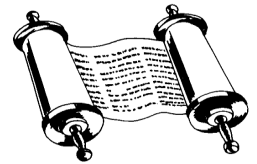
### JUNE BOARD MEETING

**Sunday, June 26, 2015**  
**9:00 a.m. at the Synagogue**

**If you have an item for the agenda,**  
**please call or e-mail**  
**Debbie Markowitz or**  
**Ruth Elmakiss**



# shabbat shalom



## JUNE SCHEDULE OF SERVICES Triennial Readings/Holiday Readings

Friday	June	3	Evening Service	<b>Birchat HaChodesh</b>	6:00 P.M.
Saturday	June	4	Morning Service	<b>BECHUKKOTAI</b>	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Leviticus 27:1 - 27:34	
			Haftarah	Jeremiah 16:19 - 17:14	
Friday	June	10	Evening Service		6:00 P.M.
Saturday	June	11	Morning Service	<b>BEMIDBAR</b>	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 3:14 - 4:20	
			Haftarah	Hosea 2:1 - 22	
	June	11	Evening Service	<b>Erev Shavuot</b>	7:00 P.M.
Sunday	June	12	Morning Service	<b>1st Day of Shavuot</b>	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Exodus 19:1-20:22	
			Maftir	Numbers 28:26-31	
			Haftarah	Ezekiel 1:1-28, 3:12	
Friday	June	17	Evening Service		6:00 P.M.
Saturday	June	18	Morning Service	<b>NASO</b>	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 7:1 - 7:89	
			Haftarah	Judges 13:2 - 25	
Friday	June	24	Evening Service		6:00 P.M.
Saturday	June	25	Morning Service	<b>BEHA'ALOTEKHA</b>	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 10:35 - 12:16	
			Haftarah	Zechariah 2:14 - 4:7	



*The Board of Trustees and Rabbi Learner  
wish to extend their condolences to the family of  
Maurine Muntz  
May her memory be for a blessing*



# shabbat shalom



## JULY SCHEDULE OF SERVICES Triennial Readings/Holiday Readings

Friday	July	1	Evening Service	<b>Birchat HaChodesh</b>	6:00 P.M.
Saturday	July	2	Morning Service	<b>SHELAH LECHA</b>	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 15:8 - 15:41	
			Haftarah	Joshua 2:1 - 24	
Friday	July	8	Evening Service		6:00 P.M.
Saturday	July	9	Morning Service	<b>KORACH</b>	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 17:25 - 18:32	
			Haftarah	I Samuel 11:14 - 12:22	
Friday	July	15	Evening Service		6:00 P.M.
Saturday	July	16	Morning Service	<b>CHUKKAT</b>	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 21:11 - 22:1	
			Haftarah	Judges 11:1 - 33	
Friday	July	22	Evening Service		6:00 P.M.
Saturday	July	23	Morning Service	<b>BALAK</b>	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 23:27 - 25:9	
			Haftarah	Micah 5:6 - 6:8	
Friday	July	29	Evening Service	Birchat HaChodesh	6:00 P.M.
Saturday	July	30	Morning Service	<b>PINCHAS</b>	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 28:16 - 30:1	
			Haftarah	Jeremiah 1:1 - 2:3	

**Please plan to attend the Congregation Meeting Sunday, June 26th at 11:00 a.m. If you will be unable to attend, please be sure to return your signed proxy to the offices of CAA by Friday, June 24th at 4:00 p.m.**

### July Bimah Schedule

<b>1 Ruth Elmakiss</b>	<b>2 Steve Roosth</b>
<b>8 Dr. Stan Weiner</b>	<b>9 Rita Roosth</b>
<b>15 Jose Escamilla-Perez</b>	<b>16 Wally Newsom</b>
<b>22 Ruth Elmakiss</b>	<b>23 Dee Wapner</b>
<b>29 Debbie Markowitz</b>	<b>30 Steve Roosth</b>

Remember, if you can't be on the Bimah, when scheduled, you need to find a replacement.

The 2016/2017 slate of offices for  
the Congregation Board

of Trustees are:

President: Ruth Elmakiss  
President-Elect: Stan Weiner  
Secretary: Christie Osburn  
Treasurer: Steve Roosth

### JULY BOARD MEETING

**Sunday, July 10, 2015  
9:00 a.m. at the Synagogue**

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please call or e-mail  
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Ruth Elmakiss**

# TODAH RABAH

## Last month's brunches were generously sponsored by:

May 7 - Elsie Beaver in Honor of Mother's Day  
 May 14 - Jerome & Sharon Smith in Honor of those who Prepare the Brunches  
 May 21 - The Weiner Family in Honor of Katryn Escamilla's Bat Mitzvah & the Escamilla-Perez Family  
 May 28 - Ruth Elmakiss in Honor of Rachel Elmakiss' Graduation

## June Brunches are generously sponsored by:

June 4 - The Escamilla- Perez family in Honor of Gamaliel's Birthday  
 June 11 - The Weiner Family in Honor of Dr. Wiley & Rita Roosth's Anniversary  
 June 18 - Arthur Frank  
 June 25 - Rabbi & Ellen Learner

## July Brunches are generously sponsored by:

July 2 - Beck Roosth                      July 23 - TBA  
 July 9 - TBA                                 July 30 - TBA  
 July 16 - TBA

## GENERAL FUND

Rabbi Arthur and Linda Flicker Remembering the Yahrzeit of Abraham Flicker  
 H. Diane Roosth In Memory of Pauline Heffler-Roosth and Barbara Beth Dworkin  
 Beck Roosth in Honor of Chuck & Dee Wapner's Anniversary

## SYLVAN MELLINGER MAINTENANCE FUND

Debbie Markowitz in Honor of Rachel Elmakiss' Graduation  
 Trent Jackson  
 Anonymous Tzedaka donation

## BREAKFAST FUND

Dee & Chuck Wapner in Honor of Rachel Elmakiss' Graduation  
 Dee & Chuck Wapner in Honor of Dr. Wiley & Rita Roosth's Hospitality at Pesach

## *June Celebrations*

### Birthdays

3	Robi Jalnos	14	Fran Birmingham
4	Matthew Learner		Rabbi Alan Learner
	Christopher Paul Osburn		Dr. Ron Beals
6	Ben Pogrund	16	Dr. Jon Markowitz
8	Chuck Wapner	19	Michael Marker
9	Arthur L. Frank	23	Dov Marshall Brish
10	Amy Elaine Pogrund	25	Eva Goodman
11	Melissa (Mimi) Beth Hall		Joanne Goldfarb
12	Rachel Tobes	26	Elizabeth Randi Feldman
	Jordan Rey	27	Robert (Bob) Roosth

### Anniversaries

8	Julie & Mitchell Schumer	15	Rita & Dr. Wiley Roosth
11	Joan & Dr. Abraham Goldfarb	18	Eileen & Robi Jalnos
15	Rebeca & Jose Escamilla-Perez	20	Janice & Dr. Stan Weiner
	28 Heather & Jordan Rey		

*July celebrations - page 9*

# JUNE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 24 Iyar/39 L'Omer	2 25 Iyar/40 L'Omer	3 26 Iyar/41 L'Omer	4 27 Iyar/42 L'Omer
5 Yom Yerushalayim CAA Sunday School 10:00 am	6 28 Iyar/43 L'Omer	7 Rosh Hodesh	8 2 Sivan/46 L'Omer	9 Adult Hebrew Education Class 6:30 pm	10 Service: 6:00 pm Bimah: Ruth Elmakiss	11 \$9:16PM/!9:16PM Erev Shavuot Service: 9:00 am Parsha: BEMIDBAR Bimah: Debbie Markowitz Brunch: Weiner Family Evening Service: 7:00 pm EREV SHAUVOT
12 Shavuot Service: 9:00 am 1st Day SHAUVOT	13 29 Iyar/44 L'Omer	14 1 Sivan/45 L'Omer	15 3 Sivan/47 L'Omer	16 Adult Hebrew Education Class 6:30 pm	17 Service: 6:00 pm Bimah: Wally Newsom	18 Service: 9:00 am Parsha: NASO Bimah: Dale Laitner Brunch: Arthur Frank
6 Sivan	7 Sivan	8 Sivan	9 Sivan	10 Sivan	11 Sivan	12 Sivan
19 13 Sivan	20 Hadassah Book Club 10:30 am Educators Holocaust Workshop	21 20 Sivan	22 16 Sivan	23 Adult Hebrew Education Class 6:30 pm	24 Service: 6:00 pm Bimah: Debbie Markowitz	25 Service: 9:00 am Parsha: BEHAVALOTEKHA Bimah: Dee Wapner Brunch: Rabbi Learner
26 CAA Board of Trustees Meeting 9:00 am Congregation Meeting 11:00 am	27 21 Sivan	28 22 Sivan	29 23 Sivan	30 Adult Hebrew Education Class 6:30 pm	18 Sivan	19 Sivan

**Torah study following brunch unless noted**

# JULY

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3						1 !8:17PM Service: 6:00 pm Bimah: Ruth Elmakiss	2 \$9:20PM Service: 9:00 am Parsha: SHELAH LECHA Bimah: Steve Roosth Brunch: TBA
10	27 Sivan	28 Sivan	29 Sivan	30 Sivan	1 Tammuz	8 !8:17PM Service: 6:00 pm Bimah: Dr. Stan Weiner	9 \$9:19PM Service: 9:00 am Parsha: KORACH Bimah: Rita Roosth Brunch: TBA
17	4 Tammuz	5 Tammuz	6 Tammuz	7 Tammuz	8 Tammuz	15 !8:14PM Service: 6:00 pm Bimah: Jose Escamilla-Perez	16 \$9:17PM Service: 9:00 am Parsha: Wally Newsom Bimah: CHUKKAT Brunch: TBA
24	11 Tammuz \$9:13PM Fast of Tammuz 17	12 Tammuz	13 Tammuz	14 Tammuz	15 Tammuz	22 !8:11PM Service: 6:00 pm Bimah: Ruth Elmakiss	23 \$9:13PM Service: 9:00 am Parsha: BALAK Bimah: Dee Wapner Brunch: TBA
31	18 Tammuz	19 Tammuz	20 Tammuz	21 Tammuz	22 Tammuz	29 !8:06PM Service: 6:00 pm Bimah: Debbie Markowitz	30 \$9:09PM Service: 9:00 am Parsha: PINCHAS Bimah: Steve Roosth Brunch: TBA
	25 Tammuz					23 Tammuz	24 Tammuz

**Torah study following brunch  
unless noted**

**SPOTLIGHT: The Mellinger Brothers and the Maintenance Fund**

*Meyer and Sylvan Mellinger grew up in Merkel, a small town located in central north Texas near Abilene. After their parents passed away, they moved to Tyler and married two sisters. They were very close to one another, sitting next to each other at every event and service; true gentlemen, and extremely generous. Meyer was our Gabbai for many years. The Mellingers were devoted to CAA, and when one would make a donation, the other would be sure to do the same or more. At our Chanukah parties, they would give all the children cash gifts. When anything was needed - in the synagogue or elsewhere - the Mellinger brothers were ready to help. After Meyer passed away, Sylvan arranged that the Mellinger Maintenance Fund would be set up for any necessary repairs to our building.*

*Recently, our roof (which has leaked repeatedly in several different areas) underwent major repairs. After much thought, the Board decided to utilize the Mellinger Maintenance Fund, thereby depleting it completely.*

*We are asking for YOUR HELP to keep the vision and thoughtfulness of the Mellinger brothers alive for future generations. Will you please consider a donation, large or small, to this vital fund?*

*On behalf of the Board of Trustees, and in loving memory of "the boys,"*

*I am grateful for your continuing support.*

Debbie Markowitz



*Meyer, top row, third from the left, and Sylvan, fourth from the right wearing eyeglasses*

**CONGREGATION AHAVATH ACHIM DONATION FORM - Thank You For Your Donation!!!!!!**

Please use this form to make your donations and send to:  
 Congregation Ahavath Achim 3501 South Donnybrook, Tyler, TX 75701

**Thank you for printing!!!**

Attached is my check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**INDICATE THE FUND OF YOUR CHOICE BELOW AND IN THE MEMO AREA OF YOUR CHECK.**

- Breakfast Fund
- Maintenance Fund
- Hebrew School Fund
- Adult Education Fund
- Trust Fund
- General Fund
- Rabbinic Fund
- Book Fund

**THE FUNDS BELOW REQUIRE A SEPARATE CHECK**

- Sylvan Mellinger Maintenance Fund
- Rabbi Discretionary Fund
- Sisterhood Flower Fund - **CAA SISTERHOOD**
- Cemetery Fund - **CAA CEMETERY**



eating triangular pancakes stuffed with meat or cheese on Shavuot. Why the triangle shape? If four is the number we associate with Pesach, then three is the significant number on Shavuot. The triangle reminds us that the Torah consists of three parts (the five books of Moses, the Prophets and the Writings) and was given to a people of three parts (the Kohanim, the Levi'im, and Yisrael) in the third month (Sivan) through Moses, who was the third child of his parents, following Aaron and Miriam.

This year, Erev Shavuot services begin on June 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. I hope to have a Tikkun Leil Shavuot Study session following our Oneg. We will have 1<sup>st</sup> day services on Sunday at 9:00 am. I hope everyone will try to attend.

As we move into the summer months, I hope everyone enjoys their respective vacations and I look forward to seeing everybody in Shul.

With Torah Blessings,  
Rabbi



**SHABBAT OBSERVANCES**

Ahavath Achim is an egalitarian, Conservative congregation. As a sign of respect for G-d, all Jewish men and boys are required to cover their heads in the synagogue. In addition, all Jewish males over Bar Mitzvah age are required to wear a tallit (prayer shawl) during services. Non-Jewish males are required to cover their heads during services, but are not required to wear a head covering in other parts of the synagogue. Non-Jewish males may not wear a tallit.

All Jewish females above Bat Mitvah age (married or single) are required to wear a head covering during services, but not in other parts of the synagogue. Jewish women are requested to wear a tallit when leading any part of the services, but it is not mandatory. Jewish women may also choose to wear a tallit during services, but it is not mandatory.

In observance of Shabbat, please refrain from photography and using electronic devices anywhere in the synagogue.

Ritual Committee  
Congregation Ahavath Achim

*July Celebrations*  
*Birthdays*

<p>3 <i>Rebeca Escamilla-Perez</i></p> <p>5 <i>Mitchell Schumer</i></p> <p>6 <i>Felice Silverberg</i></p> <p>9 <i>Julie Schumer</i></p> <p>10 <i>Sarah Birmingham</i></p> <p>12 <i>Joshua Levy</i></p>	<p>13 <i>Joan Goldfarb</i></p> <p>14 <i>Daniel Feld</i></p> <p>17 <i>Lindsey Marie Schumer</i></p> <p>22 <i>Jonathan Green</i></p> <p>26 <i>Jose Escamilla-Perz</i></p> <p>28 <i>Stephen Karten</i></p>
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*Anniversaries*  
10 *Ellen & Rabbi Alan Learner*

## Yahrzeits

### JUNE 1 - JUNE 2

NONE

### JUNE 3 - JUNE 9

- 3 Rosa Krumholtz
- 4 Paul Forchheimer
- Louis Glasser
- 6 Jacob Fridkin
- Mollie Sherman
- 7 David Gross
- 8 Thelma Sobel
- 9 Sam Gross

### JUNE 10 - JUNE 16

- 10 Tanchum Myer Roosth
- Myer Kline
- 12 Florence Strum
- 13 Isadore Mellinger
- 14 Freida Schumer
- 15 Henry Berry
- Doris Ginsberg Diamond

### JUNE 17 - JUNE 23

- 17 Sadie Wapner
- 18 George Vainer
- Isaac Benedict Heffler
- 19 Feiga Ginsberg
- Israel Sutton
- 22 Louis Sherman
- 23 James Harold Hill

### JUNE 24 - JUNE 30

- 24 Harry P. Goldberg
- 27 Rose Rudman
- 28 Dorothy Cohen Smith
- 29 Jackie Weinstock
- 30 Etta Golenternek Gross
- Thomas Werbner

### JULY 1 - JULY 7

- 1 Robert Muntz
- Sam Sable
- Bill Werbner
- 2 Sol Ginsberg
- 3 Eugenia Levite

### JULY 8 - JULY 14

- 8 Frances Fridkin
- 9 Fannie Mosier
- 10 Nora Modisett

### JULY 15 - JULY 21

- 15 Arnette Sutton
- 16 Bella Rosenberg
- Berma Dean Levine
- 17 Ida Kessler
- 18 Harold Samuel Sulsky
- 19 Harry Goldberg
- Rabbi Kalman B. Taxon
- Sylvia Wolf
- 21 Nathan Harold Roosth

### JULY 22 - JULY 28

- 22 Bernard Krasner
- 25 Rachel Krasner
- 26 Tillie Falk
- Sandra Greenberg Sharpe
- 28 Abe Laves
- Rena Tobes

### JULY 29 - AUGUST 4

- 29 David Edward Berlin
- Rose Kapner
- Bessie Luskey Krasner
- 30 Morry W. Jacobs
- 2 Rose Greenwald
- Ester Levine
- 3 David Abramsky
- 4 Isadore Roosth

### AUGUST 5 - AUGUST 11

- 5 Harry Block
- Lillian Roberts
- 8 Morris Rosenberg
- Marlin Waghalter
- 10 Aleck S. Genecov

### AUGUST 12 - AUGUST 18

- 13 David Levy
- Sam M. Cohen
- Rebecca Lulky
- 17 Herman Pines
- Sol Roosth
- 18 Lonnie Goldfeder

### AUGUST 19 - AUGUST 25

- 19 Harry Kapner
- 21 Pearl Levine
- 22 Yidus Rudman Scrinopskie
- 24 Ella Kelfer
- Jake Davidoff

### AUGUST 26 - SEPTEMBER 1

- 26 Albert Weintraub
- 28 Jacob Meyer Edelman
- 30 Molly Luskey
- Jennie Glasser
- 31 Hannah Goldstein
- 1 Eve Abramsky Smith

### SEPTEMBER 2 - SEPTEMBER 8

- 2 Lester Waghalter
- 3 Rose Heffler
- 5 Stella Jarrett
- 6 Max Edelman
- Morris Forman
- 8 Abraham Davidoff

### SEPTEMBER 9 - SEPTEMBER 15

- 10 Mary Davidoff
- Herta Levite
- 12 Israel Smith
- 13 Charles Simon Weintraub

### SEPTEMBER 16 - SEPTEMBER 22

- 17 JoyceLynn Jacobs Lee
- 18 David Howard Smith
- 22 Frank Covnet
- Kolman Marmar
- Annie Waghalter

### SEPTEMBER 23 - SEPTEMBER 29

- 23 William Zuckerman
- 25 Mollye Goldberg
- 26 Betty Smith
- David L. Wapner
- Hannah Solinger
- 27 Christopher Jeffers Forzano
- Harry Krumholtz
- 29 Mose Heffler
- Sydelle Israel

**May Their Memory Be For A Blessing**



## CAA KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

The CAA Kids Sunday School met on May 15th as we learned more about "Counting the Omer" and focused on Israel. The kids worked on an extra special project for the Sisterhood, to be revealed at a brunch sometime this summer. Thanks to the parents for all their support and talents.

Our final class will be held on June 5th at 10:00 a.m. Please mark your calendars now, as you will not want to miss out. We will have a class focused on Shavuot. Class will be followed by an outdoor picnic with lots of fun activities. Please check your email as we get closer to June for further updates.

Ruth Elmakiss  
CCA Sunday School

### *With Our Deepest Appreciation*

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and members of Congregation Ahavath Achim, we extend our deepest thanks and appreciation to Dr. Ron Beals for producing this year's extraordinary Yom HaShoah program: "*Finding Enough: Remembering the Righteous Among the Nations*". Ron's creative ideas, direction, energy and long-hours invested in developing our Yom HaShoah programs over these past many years have been invaluable. His personal dedication, communication skills and experience have brought pivotal contacts into our Yom HaShoah planning committee for the mutual benefit of our congregation and the Tyler community. To thank Ron adequately is impossible.

We also want to thank our Yom HaShoah committee members for their commitment and the time they so generously and freely gave participating in this year's program:

Dr. Ron Beals, Chair

Rev. Ginger Brandt, First Christian Church

Rabbi Alan Learner, Congregation Ahavath Achim

Mr. Rob Mason, First Christian Church

Mr. Dave Overland, CrossPointe Community Church

Mr. Kevin Roper, Rose Heights Church

Mrs. Irene Rose, Calvary Chapel Tyler

Dee Wapner, Congregation Ahavath Achim

We extend a special note of thanks to our guest presenters--Pastor Johnathan Ellison, CrossPointe Community Church, and Professor Jae Jerkins, Congregation Beth El--for their outstanding readings during the program. We want to especially thank Rev. Ginger Brandt and First Christian Church for printing the covers for our program, and Barbara Zimmerman for coordinating the printing of our programs. And, last but not least, our deepest thanks to the ladies of our Sisterhood for their preparation and lovely presentation of the wonderful desserts after the program. Many thanks to Dee Wapner for taking over the coordination of the program while Ron was in Israel. We are truly grateful to everyone who gave of their time.

## Sisterhood News

The next meeting of the Sisterhood will be August 7th at 11:30 a.m. at my home for our usual salad luncheon, We are taking a break but all of the brunches and other business that we take care of are covered. The yearbook is being compiled and if there are any special committee, that you would like to chair or help with— please notify me or Dee so this can be arranged.

Special Onegs are:

Sunday Sept. 4, 2016 Aliyah Cookout - need a chair  
Wednesday Oct. 12, 2016 Break-the Fast - need a chair  
Sunday Oct. 16, 2016 Succot - Rebeca Escamilla— Perez  
Sunday Oct. 24, 2016 Simchat Torah - need a chair  
Saturday Dec. 24, 2016 Chanukah dinner - Karin Latner  
Saturday March 11, 2017 Purim - Fran Birmingham  
Tuesday May 30, 2017 Shavuot—need a chair

\*On Monday June 20th the Holocaust Educator's Conference— all day event at CAA. The Sisterhood serves breakfast and lunch— any Sisterhood members are welcome to come and help.

Rita Roosth

CAA Sisterhood President

## HADASSAH NEWS:

Region Conference (Spring) June 3-5, San Antonio. This will be a very interesting and enjoyable conference for anyone open to a new Hadassah and a new way of doing things. There is a \$100 discount (participants must first be approved by chapter) for anyone interested in attending. If you are unable to attend the entire 3 days but could spend all day Saturday (with a one day price of \$150) you will still be able to absorb/learn a great deal of what transpired over a three day period. You do not want to miss an opportunity to attend this dynamic conference which is a very rewarding learning experience. For more information please contact Susan Cason-Parks, 903-525-9183.

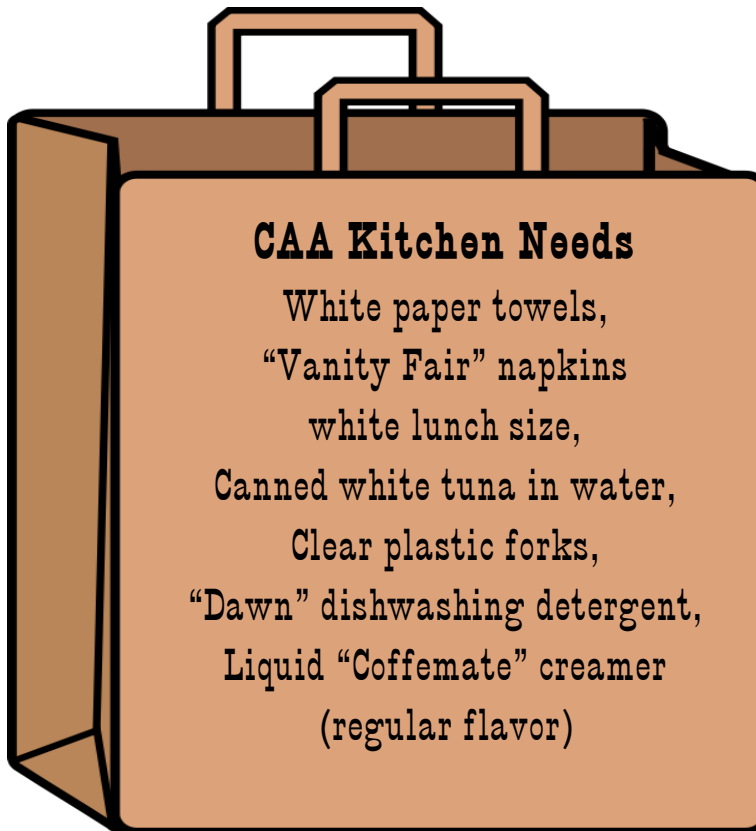
Open Meeting and Lunch, June 12, 11:30 AM, Traditions Restaurant, Tyler. . Everyone is encouraged to attend these meetings as your participation and input/ideas in broadening and enhancing the chapter are welcome.

July/August – No Meetings

Open Position: Volunteer needed to fill the position of Corresponding Secretary and the Jewish National Fund. Acceptance of this very important function within the chapter would be greatly appreciated. If kindly interested, please contact Susan Cason-Parks, President 903-525-9183.

## HADASSAH BOOK CLUB

The June meeting place and book title to be announced shortly. Note: Unless otherwise specified, the Book Club normally meets every third Monday at 10:30 AM, Brady's Coffee Shop, Tyler.



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