



# Congregation Ahavath Achim

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JUNE - JULY 2022

## ***From The Desk of The Rabbi*** ***Accountability***

At this time of the year, we are either about to or have started into the reading of Sefer Bamidbar. Bamidbar offers at the beginning of the book a wondrous detailed accounting of the people (the males), specifically the numeric values concerning a census for the sole purpose of establishing the military force which will soon go into the land and conquer it.

Out of my daily dose of Torah series which dwells on Parsha Bamidbar, the Mussar thought for the day offers this teaching which comes from the *Shelah Hakadosh* (Rabbi Isaiah Horowitz) who wrote: "Every single member of the Jewish nation is a vital component of it, and each Jew is critical to the Jewish people as if everything revolved around them alone. We must believe this, and act accordingly. As *Chazal* (our sages of blessed memory) have taught us, a person must look at the world as if it is half worthy and half unworthy. Thus, if he or she alone were to sin they would tip the scales toward the unworthy, and if he or she were to do just one mitzvah they would tip the scale toward holiness. One must look at themselves as if they had the power to change the world with their deeds, and thus bring favor to the Jewish people and light to the world, in the eyes of Hashem."

Not only did this concept apply to our lives in years past, but now more than ever does it apply to our time today. We see many situations in the world today where people are waiting for the other person to act when it comes down to promoting peace and harmony in the world. The current conflict between Russia and Ukraine is a prime example of this. We can operate on the premise that as Jews, each of us receives special Divine providence from Hashem because we are Hashem's beloved people, but that does not give us the right of entitlement in believing that that providence is owed to us.

In fact, we must reciprocate and use the unique stature we have been given for the purpose of being in service to Hashem and our fellow man. We must look at the perspective as if we ourselves were the only person in the world and our actions were the only ones capable of bringing pleasure to the Creator. We cannot wait or use the excuse: "Leave it up to someone else to do." It is because of this unique stature we have been given which drives and motivates our people to be successful in most of all the endeavors we pursue. It is the actions of one that bears great significance either positive or negative on the Jewish people and the world.

The book of Bamidbar is more than just an accounting numerically of a people; it is a book of how we as the Jewish people should be held accountable for our actions in the first place. This also should transfer to the rest of the world as well. Last month, a Palestinian Journalist, Shireen Abu Akleh was killed while live reporting at a IDF military raid in the city of Jenin. Immediately the Palestinian officials are quick to blame IDF forces for her death. Yet, they will not release the bullet that killed her. How can there be any accountability when the anti-Semitism and hate of the Palestinian leadership is so strong, it prevents a complete and thorough investigation to determine the facts of this terrible tragedy?

We continue to see anti-Semitism, Holocaust denial, and a growing nuclear Iran not just threaten Israel and all Jews throughout the world, but all people who live on this planet. When Russia's Foreign Minister, Sergei Lavrov repeats the old anti-Semitic tropes, where is the accountability of these libelous statements being made by world leaders and their governments. And the leaders of not only this country and others have the Chutzpah to say that peace in the Middle East is still contingent on whether or not Israel makes

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# PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Where is the Jewish Community? When I was growing up, there was no question about where it was. I grew up in the greater Detroit area that was rich in Judaism. We had a large Jewish population with many synagogues, a Jewish Community Center, several Hebrew schools and a Yiddish newspaper. I was part of the third generation in my family to participate. I had the opportunity to see my grandparents and my parents be active in the community. Of course, I would be active. I went to public school that was at least 40 % Jewish along with my Hebrew school education.

It may take a village to raise a child. In my case, it took a Jewish community to raise my generation. But what is happening now? Times have changed in many ways. We are more dispersed and isolated. There is a whole new meaning to the diaspora when we think of the Jewish community in East Texas. Where will the next generations learn of their heritage? The COVID pandemic has also led to this sense of isolation, Jewish or not. We have a gift and we are losing it if we do not act.

A sort of funny story is when I was interviewing a Jewish cardiologist and his wife from New York. They came to my small town of Athens to interview. His wife asked where is the Jewish Community Center and I quickly replied, "my backyard." That was the truth. The interview was over that quickly as well.

But for those of us who have chosen to live in East Texas, we have the challenge to create, maintain and support a sense of Jewish Community. We need a place to connect and to educate ourselves and the next generation. This place is the synagogue. Throughout our history, the synagogue is still the center of the community. It is definitely more difficult to come to the synagogue and to participate given the distances that many of us live from the synagogue. We will have to be more creative in solving this. And in doing so, we must involve our children and grandchildren. They will learn by watching us participate in the fulfillment of our community.

So please join us for services and participate in the many different activities. Become a partner with us in building up the Sisterhood and Brotherhood and our school programs for the children. Come to Torah study after services and learn more of our history. As we become more active in our Jewish community, we will find our strength and the gift from Hashem.

*Michael Tobes, President*

## **JUNE Bimah Schedule**

**4 Dr. Michael Tobes**  
**11 Kimberly Walls**  
**18 Samantha Clark**  
**25 Dr. Michael Tobes**

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

## **BULLETIN DEADLINE:**

**July 18 for the  
AUGUST 2022**

### **Bulletin**

Submit articles to:  
**caasecretary@  
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Thank you !

## **JUNE BOARD MEETING**

**Sunday, June 12, 2022**

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

**Dr. Michael Tobes or  
Samantha Clark**



# shabbat shalom



## **JUNE SCHEDULE OF READINGS**

### **Triennial Readings/Holiday Readings**

Saturday	June	4	Morning Service	<b>BAMIDBAR</b>	9:30 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 3:14 - 4:20	
			Haftarah	Hosea 2:1 - 22	
			Evening Service	SHAVUOT	7:30 P.M.
Sunday	June	5	Morning Service	1st Day Shavuot	9:30 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Exodus 19:1 - 20:22	
			Maftir	Numbers 28:26 - 31	
			Haftarah	Ezekiel 1:1 - 28, 3:12	
Saturday	June	11	Morning Service	<b>NASSO</b>	9:30 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 7:1 - 7:89	
			Haftarah	Judges 13:2 - 25	
Saturday	June	18	Morning Service	<b>BEHA'ALOTCHA</b>	9:30 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 10:35 - 12:16	
			Haftarah	Zechariah 2:14 - 4:7	
Saturday	June	25	Morning Service	<b>SH'LACH LECHA</b>	9:30 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 15:8 - 15:41	
			Haftarah	Joshua 2:1 - 24	

### **RABBI'S MESSAGE Continued from page 1**

peace with the Palestinians?

Anti-Semitism will not just go away if we make peace with the Palestinians. The fallout from the death of Shireen Abu Akleh, the conflict of Jewish prayer on the Temple mount, and the current drive of the "Squad" in Washington to pass a resolution officially recognizing Nakba Day reminds us we are a long way away from achieving that goal.

Israel is a modern-day miracle plain and simple. It doesn't exist because the world leaders told the Jewish people they had to negotiate with the Arab nations for existence. Israel exists because the Jewish people became accountable for their own destiny and demanded the right to survive. This is the right of all human beings in this world especially this country. Would we in this country for the sake of peace, return all lands and territories captured in wars and return to our original boundaries of the 13 colonies? I think we all know the answer to that question.

History is being made before our very eyes just as it has been made in our parents' time and the generations before them. How will history measure our accountability in the times ahead? We can only hope and pray Hashem will give us the means to perform Mitzvot that will reflect holiness and allow us to tip the scales where our positive deeds will bring blessing and favor to not just the Jewish people, but to the world as well.

With Torah Blessings, Rabbi



# shabbat shalom



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Saturday	July	2	Morning Service	<b>KORACH</b>	9:30 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 17:25 - 18:32	
			Haftorah	I Samuel 11:14 - 12:22	
Saturday	July	9	Morning Service	<b>CHUKKAT</b>	9:30 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 20:22 - 22:1	
			Haftorah	Judges 11:1 - 33	
Sunday	July	10	Tephillin Service		8:00 A.M.
Saturday	July	16	Morning Service	<b>BALAK</b>	9:30 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 22:39 - 25:9	
			Haftorah	Micha 5:6 - 6:8	
				Birchat HaChodesh	
Saturday	July	23	Morning Service	<b>PINCHAS</b>	9:30 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 28:16 - 30:1	
			Haftorah	Jeremiah 1:1 - 2:3	
Saturday	July	30	Morning Service	<b>MATOT-MASEI</b>	9:30 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 33:50 - 36:13	
			Haftorah	Jeremiah 2:4 - 28; 3:4	



### **JULY Bimah Schedule**

<b>2</b>	<b>Sean Hammel</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Kesleigh Terry</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>Christie Osburn</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>Dr. Stan Weiner</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>Linda Thomas</b>

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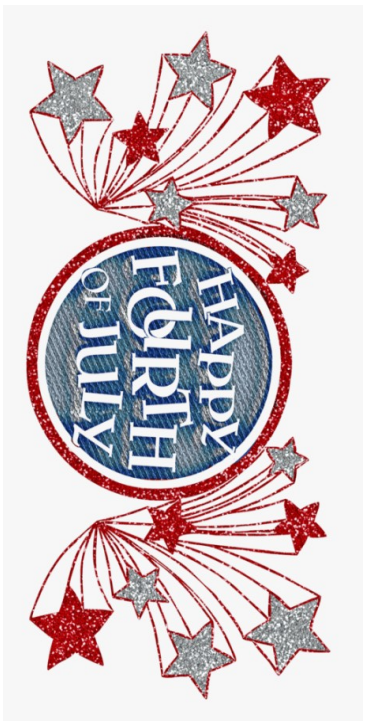


## June 2022

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**TORAH STUDY  
AFTER SERVICES/BRUNCH  
6/4 & 6/24 only this month**





## July 2022

								1 \$10:17PM	2 Service: 9:30 am Parsha: KORACH Bimah: Sean Hammel
								2 \$10:20PM	
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10 CAA Board of Trustees Meeting: 9:30 am	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
17 FAST OF TAMMUZ 17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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TORAH STUDY  
AFTER SERVICES/BRUNCH  
7/9 & 7/16 only this month

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS & ASSOCIATE MEMBERS  
THE CONGREGATION MEETING WILL BE HELD  
SUNDAY, JUNE 12TH AT 10:30 A.M.

THE MEETING WILL BE LIVE STREAMED VIA ZOOM, IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND IN PERSON. IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND VIRTUALLY— NO PROXY IS NEEDED—BUT IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND VIRTUALLY OR IN PERSON, YOUR PROXY NEEDS TO BE RETURNED TO THE SYNAGOGUE OFFICE BY 4:00 P.M. FRIDAY JUNE 10TH. EMAILED, FAXED OR HARD COPIES OF YOUR PROXY WILL BE ACCEPTED BEFORE THE DEADLINE.

PLEASE CONTACT CAA OFFICES TO BE SENT A LINK FOR THE CONGREGATION ZOOM MEETING BEFORE THE PROXY DEADLINE!!



## June Celebrations

### Birthdays

- 3 Ariel Tov Hekier  
Robi Jalnos  
4 Matthew Learner  
Christopher Paul Osburn  
8 Chuck Wapner  
9 Azariah Munoz  
11 Melissa (MiMi) Hall  
12 Rachel Tobes  
Jordan Rey  
14 Rabbi Alan Learner  
Dr. Ron Beals  
Fran Birmingham  
16 Jon Markowitz  
25 Eva Goodman  
27 Bob Roosth

### Anniversaries

- 11 Sean & Shannon Hammel  
15 Jose & Rebeca Escamilla-Perez  
18 Robi & Eileen Jalnos  
20 Dr. Stan & Janice Weiner  
28 Jordan & Heather Rey

## July Celebrations

### Birthdays

- 3 Rebeca Escamilla-Perez  
10 Kai Hammel  
Olivia Hammel  
Sarah Birmingham  
12 Joshua Levy  
15 Sheryl Green  
26 Jose Escamilla-Perez  
27 Tyler Rubinsky  
28 Stephen J. Karten  
29 Michael Diamond

### Anniversaries

- 2 Daron & Kimberly Walls  
10 Alan & Ellen Learner

## TODAH RABAH

### MAY BRUNCH SPONSORS

LeeAnn & Hanna Yates

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in Memory of David Learner

Special Thanks to the Ladies  
for Preparing the Brunches

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

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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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This donation is being made:  
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Indicate the fund of your choice below and in the memo area of your check.

Minimum donation \$5 per remembrance.

- ☐ Breakfast Fund  
☐ Maintenance Fund  
☐ Hebrew School Fund  
☐ Adult Education Fund  
☐ Safety 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



## Yahrzeits

### JUNE 1 - JUNE 2

2 Thelma Sobel  
Sam Gross

### JUNE 3 - JUNE 9

3 Sadie (Babe) Lulky Weintraub  
Tanchum Meir Roosth  
Myer Kline  
5 Florence Strum  
6 Isadore Mellinger  
7 Freida Schumer  
8 Henry Berry  
Doris Ginsberg Diamond

### JUNE 10 - JUNE 16

10 Sadie Wapner  
11 George Vainer  
Isaac Benedict Heffler  
12 Feiga Ginsberg  
Israel Sutton  
15 Louis Sherman  
16 James Harold Hill

### JUNE 17 - JUNE 23

17 Harry P. Goldberg  
18 Samuel Cohn  
20 Rose Rudman  
21 Dorothy Cohen Smith  
23 Etta Golenternek Gross  
Thomas Werbner

### JUNE 24 - JUNE 30

24 Robert Muntz  
Sam Sable  
Bill Werbner  
25 Sol Ginsberg  
26 Eugenia Levite  
29 Herman Shafts

### JULY 1 - JULY 7

1 Frances Fridkin  
2 Fannie Mosier  
3 Nora Modisett

### JULY 8 - JULY 14

8 Arnette Sutton  
9 Bella Rosenberg  
Berma Dean Levine  
10 Ida Kessler  
11 Harold Samuel Sulsky  
12 Harry Goldenberg  
Rabbi Kalman B. Taxon  
Sylvia Wolf  
14 Nathan Harold Roosth

### JULY 15 - JULY 21

15 Bernard Krasner  
18 Rachel Krasner  
19 Tillie Falk  
Sandra Greenberg Sharpe  
21 Abe Laves  
Rena Tobes

### JULY 22 - JULY 28

22 David Edward Berlin  
Rose Kapner  
Bessie Luskey Krasner  
26 Rose Greenwald  
Ester Levine  
Rhonda Jackson  
27 David Abramsky  
28 Marvin Miller  
Isadore Roosth

### JULY 29 - AUGUST 4

29 Harry Block  
Lillian Roberts  
31 Merrill Cason  
1 Morris Rosenberg  
Marlin Waghalter  
3 Aleck Genecov

### AUGUST 5 - AUGUST 11

6 David Levy  
Sam Cohen  
Rebecca Lulky  
10 Herman Pines  
Sol Roosth  
11 Lonnie Goldfeder

### AUGUST 12 - AUGUST 18

12 Harry Kapner  
14 Pearl Levine  
15 Yidus Rudman Scrinopskie  
17 Ella Kelfer  
Jake Davidoff

### AUGUST 19 - AUGUST 25

19 Albert Weintraub  
21 Jacob Edelman  
23 Molly Lusky  
Jeanne Glasser  
24 Hannah Goldstein  
25 Eve Abramsky Smith

### AUGUST 26 - SEPTEMBER 1

26 Lester Waghalter  
27 Rose Heffler  
29 Stella Jarrett  
30 Max Edelman  
Morris Forman  
1 Abraham Davidoff



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**OFFICE HOURS**  
**FOR SECRETARY**  
**MONDAY-FRIDAY**  
**10:30 A.M.-4:30 P.M.**  
**FOR RABBI LEARNER**  
**TUESDAY– THURSDAY**  
**4:15 –7:15 P.M.**  
**PLEASE CALL FIRST!**

- Congregation Ahavath Achim will
- not permit the open carry of firearms
- on synagogue property. This includes
- the Synagogue building, grounds, and
- cemetery. Pursuant to Section 30.07,
- Penal Code (trespass by license holder
- with an openly carried handgun), a
- person licensed under Subchapter H,
- Chapter 411, Government Code
- (handgun licensing law), may not
- enter the property with a handgun that
- is carried openly.

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Date of Death \_\_\_\_\_

Hebrew Date of Death \_\_\_\_\_

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Interested in ordering flowers for the Bimah?

Contact Charlene Goodman 903-894-7488

After you order, send your check, made out to:  
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### OUR TREE OF LIFE - A SISTERHOOD FUNDRAISER

Upon entering the synagogue, one is welcomed by a beautiful, wooden tree, with golden leaves. This tree is our Tree Of Life and is a way to honor, thank, congratulate, show love, and/or appreciation for a living person in your life. Let's fill our Tree of Life with lots of joy and happiness.

To help you with your wording, please look at the leaves currently on the tree. You will notice that the fewer words, the better, as the letters are larger and can be seen more clearly. We encourage you to follow this formula when you plan the wording for your leaf. If there are too many words, you will be asked to revise the wording and I will give you suggestions for changes. Remember.....simple is better!!

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