

# *Congregation Israel of San Antonio, Texas*

*"Progressive Judaism in Prayer and Practice"*

*January 23, 24 2009 ~ Tevet 28 5769*

*Parashat Vaera*

*Shabbat M'varchim Hachodesh Shevat*

*"Visions"*

*Hazzan David Silverstein, JD, Founding Ritual Leader, Director*

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*George Siglin, Administrator*

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*Karen and Dr. Roger Potyk*

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## *Welcome ~B'ruchim Habaim*

Shabbat Shalom! We welcome you most cordially to services conducted by Hazzan David Silverstein and David Miron and our lay leadership teams.

Daily Minyan and Memorial services available by request 24 hours in advance.

We are a community that encourages participation in a meaningful Jewish life and in prayer. To that end, funding for the rental of St. Andrew our musical and educational programming is ongoing. If you can help us continue forward with financial health, please do visit with Hazzan Silverstein.

All who wish to participate in Hebrew or English please contact Hazzan Silverstein by Wednesday of each week. If you are new to San Antonio, kindly advise Hazzan Silverstein or one of our friendly ushers so that we may welcome you in a warm fashion. We especially welcome our active and retired **Military personnel** without charge to our services and events.

To include a name on the Yahrzeit (Remembrance) or Mi Sheberach (Healing) prayer list, please provide those names to Hazzan Silverstein (210) 387-2436 or at (210) 764-0859 by 2:00 p.m. each Wednesday. You may also submit a prayer request for healing at the service itself. Please hand it to the Hazzan prior to services.

If you know someone who is hospitalized and would like to be visited by Hazzan Silverstein, please contact him at the same phones listed above. St. Andrew Administrator is Mr. George Siglin. He will be happy to direct your inquiry to the appropriate person if you contact the church office. We are grateful to him and to **Pastor Bonnie Claycomb** and **Pastor Greg Weyrauch** and to the entire membership of St. Andrew for their warm hospitality and accommodation of our congregational family.

### *Refuah Sheleimah*

#### *(Prayers for Healing)*

Prime Minister Ariel ben Vera (Ariel Sharon)

Members of the US and Israeli Defense Forces and their families.  
Innocents in Gaza and Victims of cruelty and Genocide world-wide

Gerry Barberra	Esther Handler	Phyllis Peskoff
Cynthia Fay Barbier	Patty Handler	Andree Ruggeri
Jeanne Barbier	Heidi Heck	Lynn Seltzer
Martha K. Chapman	Moshe Holtzberg	Bernard Shapiro
Alisa Stahl Cimmino	Dr. Richard Lackritz	Ruth Shapiro
Stacey Clarke	Laurie Lichtenstein	Lil Smith
Dorothy Ferguson	Martha Marks	Bonnie Thigpen
Howard Freedman	Jeremy McClure	Doug Thigpen
Elyse Haber-Freedman	Bailey McClure	Robin Weiner
Penny-Lynn Goldstein	Arnold Peskoff	Betsy Will
Ashley Gonzales		

### *Called On High -Yizkor Elohim, "May Adonai Remember..."*

Esther Jane Prather. Mother of Barbara P. Silverstein

Sharon Levine, Daughter of Barbara and Melvyn

Cathy Collins, Aunt of Barbara Silverstein

Chaplain Betty Hilton

Leibush Teitelbaum

Norma Schvatzblat Rabinovich

Gavriel and Rivkah Holtzberg

Yocheved Orpaz

Ben Tzion Chroman





## *A Brief Statement of Our Philosophy*

Our three-year old Jewish congregational community strives to provide an atmosphere of welcome, warmth, and the holiness of beauty with music and participation during worship. We wish to pray in a manner consistent with the principles of a *Progressive Judaism*— a philosophy which blends ritual aspects of current Jewish denominational practices, traditional and contemporary thought. We strive for an intellectual pursuit of Jewish philosophy that we may encounter a spiritual path through inquiry and study of Torah, our ever present guide. Together we work :

- to welcome all who are committed, interested and inquiring and wish to pray and learn, celebrate and mourn together in a Jewish way;
- to affirm the inherent dignity, honor, and integrity of every human being as *b'tzelem Elohim*: created in God's image;
- to be dedicated to *Torah study*, deeds and acts of kindness, in Godly partnership and observances
- to work to attain *tikkun olam*, by helping others by our deeds.



### *Happy Birthdays / Anniversaries in January*

Barbara and David Silverstein (28)

David and Sheryd Jackson (25)

Pat and Karen McClure

Sheryd Jackson, Melvyn Levine

### *"First Friday Lights"*

Shabbat evening Family style dinner featuring "*Community Crafted Cuisines*" of the world—Shabbat delights of ethnic flavor created by our own *Baleboste Catering Teams*. Following our Shabbat evening service, join us for dinner in a circle of friends and family. Always held on the first Friday of each month beginning at 7 p.m. St. Andrew Church 16320 Huebner Road. All are welcome and always without charge.

### *CISA Sisterhood City-Wide Luncheon*

Takes place, Tuesday, February 10 at Rodfei Shalom. See our website for details or contact Karen Potyk or Anne Susswein afterservices for more.

### *Hadassah Event*

The Rose Treiman and Leah Goot Groups of San Antonio Hadassah will hold a Tu B'Shevat Seder on Tuesday, February 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Campus, 12500 Military Highway. See our website for further details



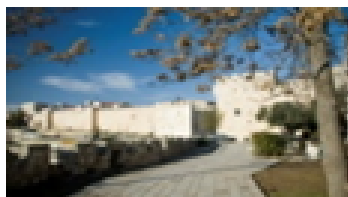
### *CISA's fifth Theater Party*

**Watch for *Il Trovatore* by Verdi coming in June 2009**

**Congregation Israel Goes to Israel**

**October, 2009**

**See Our Spiritual Homeland with Hazzan David Silverstein  
Details and Itinerary on the Website. *Very Limited Participation***





## With Our Congregational Family

*"Im ayn Kemach, Ayn Torah-Without sustenance, there is no Torah"*

Service attendance 43; 159 on Roster; Cash flow: \$7319.66, receivable \$3200. Other help: Rental of St. Andrew at \$150 weekly. Music honorarium \$200.00. Can you help? You can by paying all your tax deductible dues for 2008-9 now. Sponsorship levels help us through the Year and are welcomed to sponsor services music, rental and Onegai Shabbat. They are the backbone of the year's needs, augmenting dues and membership contributions.

### Todah Rabah to

Karen and Pat McClure, for sponsoring CISA's concert "Beyond Carmen" benefitting the American Lung Association, Southwest

Dr. Paul Berman, in appreciation of CISA

Dr. Moshe Brauer, in appreciation of CISA and a return to good health

Dr. Roger and Karen Potyk, in memory of Roger's mother, Fanny Potyk, and in memory of Sharon Levine by sponsoring CISA's concert "Beyond Carmen" benefitting the American Lung Association, Southwest

Dr. Teresa, Kayla and Jack Mynier by sponsoring CISA's concert "Beyond Carmen" benefitting the American Lung Association, Southwest

Bernadette and Harvey Abend, in appreciation of CISA

William and Sheryl Lawn, in appreciation of CISA and Keele's Chanukah music

Scottish Rite Cathedral for their gift of the facilities and staff for "Beyond Carmen" Concert.

William and Sandra Rosenthal, in honor of Florence and Joshua and their adoption into Judaism, their naming and brit milah.

Anna Giron, in honor of CISA

Laura and Christopher Richtberg, in honor of CISA

Anonymous in appreciation "enjoyed by all..."

David and Sheryd Jackson, , for sponsoring CISA's concert "Beyond Carmen" benefitting the American Lung Association, Southwest

**MITZVAH OPPORTUNITY Bailey's Peeps** – Bailey McClure is the lovely granddaughter of our members Karen and Pat McClure. She lives courageously with severe asthma. CISA is planning to participate in the American Lung Association 2009 Breathe San Antonio 5K (3.1 mile) Run/Walk And Health Expo on February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009 following services. Help us save lives. Please visit our web site at [www.congregationisraelatx.org](http://www.congregationisraelatx.org) for more information.

## **"BEYOND CARMEN" MUSICAL MITZVAH WEEKEND FEBRUARY 13-15 2009**

featuring **Audrey Babcock and Dan Nadel** singing Sephardic Songs in a modern music tapestry at CISA, Friday Night Sephardic Style, and a benefit concert on Sunday afternoon at the Scottish Rite Cathedral (Alamo & E Streets, 3:30 PM)! Can we count on you, too? Details on our site about our Mitzvah through Music community event. SPONSORS AND BENEFACTORS welcomed.

*Thank you to our sponsors to date!!*

