

Congregation Israel of San Antonio, Texas

"Progressive Judaism in Prayer and Practice"

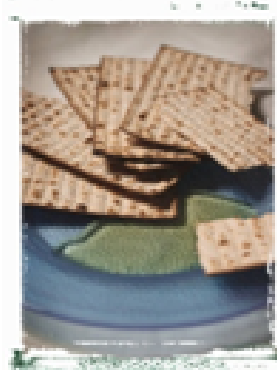
March 20-21, 2009—Adar 25, 5769

*Parashat Vayakheil-Pekudeh
HaChodesh/M'varchim HaChodesh
Girl Scout Shabbat*

Hazzan David Silverstein, JD, Founding Ritual Leader, Director

David Miron, Organist and Choir Director

George Siglin, Administrator



*Services to Begin at 9:15 a.m. this Shabbat morning
in traditional style (Artsroll) to allow us time to
Welcome the Girl Scouts to services this Shabbat morning.
We will celebrate blessing the new month of Nissan, the
month of Pesach. Religious awards will be presented as
part of our regular Shabbat service. A brunch will follow
the service and Torah discussion. Everyone is invited to
be a part of the community on this special
Shabbat HaChodesh*



Congregation Israel of San Antonio

A Progressive Jewish Congregation

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A Texas 501c3 Spiritual Community

Visit us at

www.congregationisraelsatx.org



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 Verá (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	Andree Ruggeri
Cynthia Faye Barbier	Patty Handler	Edie Sands
Sylvia Barbier	Heidi Heck	Carol Silvas
Sidney Brother	Moshe Holtzberg	Lynn Seltzer
Martha K. Chapman	Dr. Richard Lackritz	Bernard Shapiro
Alisa Stahl Cimmino	Laurie Lichtenstein	Ruth Shapiro
Stacey Clarke	Martha Marks	Lil Smith
Dorothy Ferguson	Jereme McClure	Bonnie Thigpen
Howard Freedman	Bailey McClure	Doug Thigpen
Elyse Haber-Freedman	Myra Moskowitz	Edwin Wariner
Penny-Lynn Goldstein	Arnold Peskoff	Robin Weiner
Ashley Gonzales	Phyllis Peskoff	Betsy Will

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

Nathan Newman, Mother of Judy Miller

From the American Lung Association:

On behalf of the American Lung Association of the Central States, we'd like to thank you for supporting our annual "Breathe San Antonio 5K Walk/Run". Your contribution will help the American Lung Association in its fight against lung diseases such as asthma, emphysema, tuberculosis and lung cancer. Your support is critical to our education, research and advocacy efforts. We greatly appreciate your efforts for our organization!





A 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 in our community in cooperation with other religious and secular organizations.



Happy Birthdays / Anniversaries in March
Nadia Batki, Patty Handler,
Karen Potyk, Steve Samet, Debra Weiss

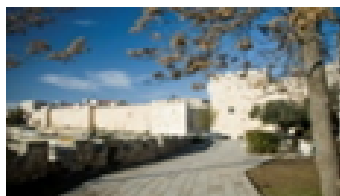
"First Friday Lights"

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'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 am Kenach, Ayn Torah-Without sustenance, there is no Torah"

Service attendance last week- 49 on Roster; 155 Cash flow: \$4319.66, receivable \$2560.
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

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..."

Sharon Davison, Estate of Dr. David Madorsky for sponsoring CISA's concert "Beyond Carmen"

David and Sheryd Jackson, in memory of Esther Jane Prather, for sponsoring CISA's concert "Beyond Carmen" and for Sheryd's honor

Ruth Shapiro, in honor of CISA

Yael and Edie Friedlander, in memory of Yael's sister, Evelyn Bach, for Bailey's Peeps and for Barbara and Hazzan Silverstein's rendering of a portable ark

Ray Baird, Marcia Greenberg, Larry and Lynn Amos, KC McClure, Drew Elson,


Risa Weinberger and Jan Jacobs in honor of CISA's concert Beyond Carmen

Dr. Dara, Nadia, Dana, Darius and Cyrus Batki, in honor of CISA's concert, "Beyond Carmen"

Chana Giron, in appreciation of CISA


Marian Smith, in memory of her Father-in-Law, Bernie Smith


Michael Winakur, in honor of Bailey's Peeps




Evening of World Faith

Jews, Christians, Muslims and Sikhs: Stewards of God's Creation





FREE PUBLIC LECTURE
March 25, 2009
7:00—9:00 PM
Tymen Hall, Oblate School of Theology



How does faith inform attitudes and actions toward ecology?

Come hear Hazzan David Silverstein of Congregation Israel, Dr. Scott Woodward of Oblate School of Theology, Imam Omar Shakir of Masjid Bilal (Mosque) and Dr. G.P. Singh of the Sikh Research Institute as they present Jewish, Christian, Muslim and Sikh perspectives on caring for God's creation.

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