

Congregation Israel of San Antonio, Texas
"Progressive Judaism in Prayer and Practice"

July 31, August 1 2009 – 11 Av 5769
Parashat Vaetchanan - Shabbat Nachamu
"Be Comforted"

Friday evening services in the Sanctuary conducted by our Lay Leaders
Shabbat Morning Services August 1 Conducted by Hazzan Silverstein

Hazzan David Silverstein, JD, Founding Ritual Leader, Director

David Miron, Organist and Choir Director

George Siglin, Administrator

David Jackson, Webmaster

Founding Members on Our Current Roster

Dr. Dara and Nadzinja Batki, Director

Julie Klinger Childs and James Childs

Evelyn Halstead Cooper

Jay Chapman

Edith and Yael Friedlander

Patty and Hal Handler

Gerri and Steve Jacobs

Jerry and Harry Mazal

Karen and Pat McClure

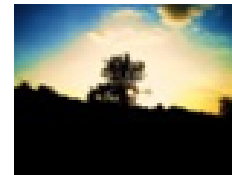
Steven and Brett Samet

Elizabeth Schwartz

George Siglin

Barbara and Hazzan David Silverstein

St. Andrew Pastoral Staff and Congregation



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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.

Victims of mental, physical and spiritual cruelty and Genocide world-wide

Gerry Barberra	Esther Handler	Phylis Peskoff
Cynthia Faye Barbier	Patty Handler	Andree Ruggeri
Sylvia Barbier	Dr. Heidi Heck	Edie Sands
Sidney Brother	Moshe Holtzberg	Lynn Seltzer
Martha K. Chapman	Linda Lackey	Ann Sizer
Alisa Stahl Cimmino	Dr. Richard Lackritz	Ruth Shapiro
Stacey Clarke	David Lamoureux	Lil Smith
Deenie Cohen	Laurie Lichtenstein	Bonnie Thigpen
Dorothy Ferguson	Martha Marks	Doug Thigpen
Howard Freedman	Harry Mazal	Avraham Moshe ben Miriam Toba
Edie Friedlander	Jeremy McClure	Marcia Waldgeir
Elyse Haber-Freedman	Bailey McClure	Edwin Wariner
Penny-Lynn Goldstein	Teresa McPherson	Robin Weiner
Ashley Gonzales	Victor Mendoza	Betsy Will
	Arnold Peskoff	

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

Barbara Joy Crowley, Mother of Bella Haines

Herbert Halstead, Father of Herbert Louis Halstead, Jr. (Late Husband of Evelyn Cooper Halstead)





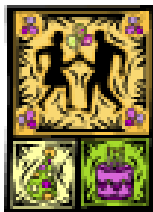
A Statement of Our Philosophy

Our 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 *Progressive Judaism*-- a philosophy which blends ritual aspects of current Jewish denominational practices, traditional and contemporary thought.

We strive for an intellectual and soulful 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 July and August

*Terri Fischman, Yael Friedlander, Jerry Mazal,
Gary Stock, Dara and Nadia Batki, Gay and Mike Winakur,
Joel Batalsky, Joan and Stuart Bernstein,
Patty and Hal Handler, Steven and Geri Jacobs,
Roger and Karen Potyk, Adah Stock, Anne Susswein*



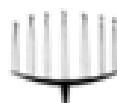
"First Friday Lights"

Shabbat evening Family style dinner featuring "*Community Crafted Cuisines*" of the world -- Shabbat delights of ethnic flavor created by our own *Balebooste Catering Team*. 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.

Children's Book Drive

A children's book drive will be held from August 1 to September 10. All children's books collected will be given to tutors of the San Antonio Jewish Coalition for Literacy to give to their students or for the Beldon Library collection or for the Beldon Library spring book sale. Please deliver your books to the Jewish Federation offices at the Campus for the San Antonio Jewish community at 12500 N.W. Military Hwy. Suite 200. The drive is coordinated by the Community Relations office of the Jewish Federation of San Antonio and is part of the Obama Administration's United We Serve initiative of community service for our nation's recovery and renewal. For more information call 302-6960 or go to www.jfsatx.org.

תודה רבה
Thank You





With Our Congregational Family

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

Service attendance last week- 24; 148 on our roster Cash flow : \$4772, receivable \$2060.

Other help needed : Rental of St. Andrew at \$150 weekly. Music honorarium \$200.00.

Can you help? You can by paying *all your tax deductible dues for 2009-10 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 contributions. Statements for 2009-10 have been prepared and mailed. Thank you Potyks and Jacksons for getting them prepared and sent!

Today Rabah to

Michael Winakur, for officiating at Friday Services

Dr. Moshe Brauer, for facilitating Shabbat summer mornings

Senior Pastor Bonnie Claycomb and George Siglin of St. Andrew for their warm hospitality and largess for rental consideration for June, July and August.

Christopher and Laura Richtberg in honor of CISA and rentals

Bill and Sharyl Lawn, in honor of CISA and rentals

Dr. Dara and Nadia Batki for Summer CISA rentals for July and August

Dr. Moshe and Connie Brauer for rentals, July 11, 18, 25 (received after our bulletin deadline)

Karen and Pat McClure for CISA Shabbat

Yael and Edie Friedlander for their hospitality at Patriot Heights



Renew Congregation Israel of San Antonio

As we enter the summer months, we are looking toward planning our fourth year and the High Holy Days. For CISA to schedule our services, we ask for your help in renewing your contributions for 2009-2010. Contribution notices will be in the mail soon. Your timely response in making your entire contribution prior to the High Holy Days will help us gauge the year and the services we can provide to the congregation and community. Your contribution may be made electronically through VANCO Services. See our webpage for a one-click visit to their CISA site. A checking account debit donation helps your contribution go even farther for a modest cost. For special arrangements, please contact the Hazzan directly for a visit. 210.387.2436.

