

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

*August 14, 15 2009 – 25 Av 5769*

*Parashat Reeh~Shabbat M'varchim Hachodesh Elul*  
*"Seeing Is Believing?"*

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

*David Miron, Organist and Choir Director*

*George Siglin, Administrator*

*David Jackson, Webmaster*

*Anne Susswein, Sisterhood Liaison*

*Steven Samet, Men's Chavurah*



*Founding Members on Our Current Roster*

*Dr. Dara and Nadziszja Batki, Director*

*Julie Kfingler 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*



*Congregation Israel of San Antonio*

*A Progressive Jewish 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

Garry 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	

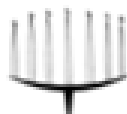
### Called On High - Yizkor Elohim, "May Adonai Remember..."

Isador William Friedlander, Father of Yael Friedlander (19 Aug - 29 Av)

Giesele Querheim, Mother of Gaby Hershfield (15 Aug - 25 Av)

Norton Shapiro, Husband of Ruth Shapiro, Father of Sheryd Jackson (20 Aug - 30 Av)

Travis Babine, Friend of Rachael Richtberg





## *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. 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 August**  
*Joel Batalisky (8/22), Joan and Stuart Bernstein (8/20),  
Patty and Hal Handler (8/12), Steven and Gerri Jacobs (8/17),  
Roger and Karen Potyk (8/17), Adah Stock (8/16), Anne  
Susswein (8/26), Barbara Silverstein (8/24)*

### ***"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 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.



## **High Holy Days Services Schedule At A Glance**

**Selichot: Sunday Eve, September 13 (Dinner and Service) 7 p./m. (Choral Service)**

**Erev Rosh Hashanah 5770, Friday Eve, September 18, 7 p.m.**

**Rosh Hashanah, Saturday, September 19, 9:30 a.m. (Luncheon Follows)**

**Rosh Hashanah, Sunday, September 20, 12:00 noon (Tashlich/Mincha)**

**@ Sharon Davison's home**

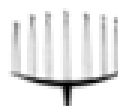
**Kol Nidre, Sunday, September 27, 7 p.m. (Cellist David Mollenauer)**

**Yom Kippur, Monday, September 28, 9:30 a.m.**

**(Shacharit, Torah, Yizkor and Musaph)**

**Yom Kippur Concluding (Mincha and Neilah) 6:00 p.m.**

**All services conducted by Hazzan David Silverstein, David Miron  
and our professional Voices of Israel Chamber Chorale**





## *With Our Congregational Family*

*"Im avn Kemach, Avn Torah-Without sustenance, there is no Torah"*

Service attendance last week- 42; 148 on our roster Cash flow : \$6772, receivable \$1060.

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 mailed . Thank you Potvks and Jacksons for getting them prepared and sent!

### *Todah Rabah* to

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, and officiating June, July

Karen and Pat McClure for CISA Shabbat

Yael and Edie Friedlander for their hospitality at Patriot Heights

Ruth Shapiro, in honor of CISA

Gaby and Norman Hershfield, in honor of their double-chai wedding reconsecration

Rachael Richtberg, special gift in honor of CISA and, studying High Holy Day Music

Mazal Tov to Gaby and Norman Hershfield on your 36<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary celebration!



### *Renew Congregation Israel of San Antonio*

As we conclude 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 have been mailed. 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 or by check. 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. Please check your Yizkor Booklet listings for accuracy. Last year's has been e-mailed to you.

