



Congregation Israel of San Antonio, Texas

"Progressive Judaism in Prayer and Practice"

March 19, 20 - 4, 5 Nisan 5770

Parashat Vayikrah

"A Guide to Being a Priest"

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

Congregation Israel of San Antonio
invites you to its
Passover Seder
March 25th, 7:00 PM
At
Patriot Heights
5000 Fawn Meadow (off Floyd Curl Drive)
From Huebner Rd - left or right of Luby's
Travel to Fawn Meadow
Inform Security you are with CISA

\$30.00 Per Person
\$15.00 per child 13 and under
Your check is your reservation
Payable by March 20, 2010
to
 Congregation Israel of San Antonio
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A Progressive Jewish Congregation

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A Texas 501c3 Spiritual Community

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www.congregationisraelsabx.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 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 members 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 **(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 to the entire membership of St. Andrew for their warm hospitality and accommodation of our congregational family.**

Refuah Shelemah

(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;
Haitian Community

Howard Alwais	Edie Friedlander	Laurie Lichtenstein	Lynn Seltzer
Gerry Barberra	Elyse Haber-Freedman	Martha Marks	Ann Sizer
Bob Blankenship	Penny-Lynn Goldstein	Harry Mazal	Rickey Shapiro
Bob Bowen	Ashley Gonzales	Jeremy McClure	Jenny Shipman
Sidney Brother	Esther Handler	Bailey McClure	Lil Smith
Martha K. Chapman	Patty Handler	Teresa McPherson	Anne Susswein
Stacey Clarke	Stacey Hershfield	Victor Mendoza	Bonnie Thigpen
Michael Cox	Moshe Holtzberg	Faye Osborne	Doug Thigpen
Edward Eastman	Robert Horne	Arnold Peskoff	Marcia Waldgeir
Dorothy Ferguson	Linda Lackey	Phyliss Peskoff	Robin Weiner
Howard Freedman	Sira Lawn	Andree Ruggeri	Betsy Will
	Stephen Levine	Marina Sanson	

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

Colonel Charles McClure, Father of Pat McClure – Shloshim

Harry Sanson, Step-grandfather of Christian Silliker – Shloshim

Esther Levinson, Mother of Bernard Fischman (6/7 Nissan, 21/22 Mar)

Phillip Berland, Father of Edie Friedlander (6/7 Nissan, 21/22 Mar)

Bessie Friedlander, Grandmother of Yael Friedlander (6/7 Nissan, 21/22 Mar)

Martin Eckoff, Brother of Patty Handler (9/10 Nissan, 24/25 Mar)

Ruth Cohn Samet, Mother of Steve Samet, (5/6 Nissan, 20/21 Mar)





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 vital 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; and 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
Patty Handler (03/01), Karen Potyk (03/23),
Steve Samet (03/04), Debra Weiss (03/13),

"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, please join us for dinner in a circle of friends and family. Always held on the first Friday of each month.

"Past Events Enjoyed"

Be sure to visit our website for photographs of events celebrated over the past months, from Bat Mitzvahs to wedding consecrations. Congregation Israel had outstanding turnouts for every event. Check them out at www.congregationisraelsatx.org

If you would like to become a member of our wonderful Congregation and enjoy everything we have to offer throughout the year, contact Hazzan Silverstein at 387-2436 or download an application from our website.





With Our Congregational Family

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

Service attendance last week: 51; 148 on our roster. Cashflow: \$6000 receivable \$12,300. **Other help needed** : Rental of St. Andrew at \$75.00 weekly. Music honorarium \$100.00. 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.

Todah Rabah to

Christopher and Laura Richtberg in honor of CISA

All Our Volunteers for set ups and culinary Delights

Steve Samet, in memory of his Mother, Ruth, and honoring CISA

CISA will be on Spring break from 3/12-3/19 and no services will be held. Our "Why Faith Matters" adult education series #3 will take place on 3/20 at 7:00 p.m.

Our regular schedule returns on 3/26 with Friday evening and our Pesach Seder on Monday 3/29.

Services will not be held on 4/2; CISA's normal schedule will resume on 4/9.

Havdalah, Will Travel (UpStairs)

Saturday evening

March 20 at 7:00 PM

On the new moon of each month we will bid farewell to the Shabbat with Havdalah, followed by topics of interest culled from the parasha and literature. We will continue the series with "Why Does Faith Matter? A Perspective on Faith in Uncertain Times." We will be reviewing Rabbi David Wolpe's Why Faith Matters and Mitch Albom's Have a Little Faith in the coming months. As always, coffee and dessert will be enjoyed. There is no charge, but tzedakah is invited and welcomed. We thank Laura Richtberg, Karen McClure and Karen Potyk for conceiving this newest gem! Sponsored by Sheryd and David Jackson

Renew Congregation Israel of San Antonio

As we celebrate entering our fourth year we ask for your help in making and renewing your contributions for 2009-2010 so we can maintain the congregation and community. For special arrangements, please contact the Hazzan directly for a visit. 210.387.2436.

