Brawerman Head of School Brandon Cohen shared both bittersweet and exciting news with faculty and families earlier this year when he announced that Maxine Keith will retire after this school year, and that Nadine Zysman will become Principal of Brawerman West effective in July. In his message to families, Brandon wrote:

Maxine Keith walked into an LAUSD Grade 2 classroom on Adams and La Brea in 1968 as a new teacher, and she has devoted her entire professional life to children and their families ever since. This June Maxine will retire as the Principal of Brawerman West.

Eighteen years ago, Rabbi Leder met with Maxine and invited her to consider partnering with Nadine Breuer and Wilshire Boulevard Temple to create a new and different kind of Jewish elementary school. Maxine had the experience, strength, and desire to help achieve their mission of shaping superb mensches. Fortunately for all of us and for so many hundreds of children and families over the past 17 years, Maxine said yes. Now it is time for Maxine to move into yet another creative, challenging, and wonderful time in her life. She helped make history in Jewish education, and all of us who know and love her offer her our deepest gratitude for her talent, her wisdom, and her tireless dedication.

Of course, we cannot replace a person like Maxine. But we can appoint another great and dynamic educator to make her own unique and powerful contribution to our beloved school. We have just such a person in Nadine Zysman. We are thrilled that Nadine has accepted the position of Principal of Brawerman West, beginning this July.

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Inviting Holiness

Parashat K’doshim Leviticus 19:1-20:27

Making our way through the seemingly endless description of ritual sacrifice that makes up much of Leviticus, we come to Parashat K’doshim, which begins with the stirring words: “The Eternal One spoke to Moses saying: ‘Speak to the whole Israelite community and say to them: You shall be holy, for I, the Eternal your God, am holy.’” What follows is a list of instructions relating to our behavior—in other words, to be holy is to behave in a holy way.

At its core, ours is a tradition centered on the ideas of holiness and bringing holiness into our lives. If nothing else, Judaism strives to infuse the mundane with holiness, to transform the ordinary into the extraordinary. An observant Jew aspires to recite 100 blessings a day! For virtually each and every mundane act we engage in on a daily basis, our tradition offers a blessing—a simple way to bring a bit of holiness into our lives.

The Hebrew word for holiness, kadosh, stems from the same root as Kiddush, the blessing we recite on Shabbat over our wine. When we make Kiddush, we are transforming the time and space of Shabbat into something holy. Kadosh also shares its root word with kiddushin, the Jewish marriage ceremony. After all, what could be more holy than standing under the chuppah with our loved one and pledging to create a Jewish life together? And it’s also the same root as Kaddish, the prayer we offer in remembrance of loved ones who are no longer with us. When we stop and take a moment to mourn, to memorialize, to connect with those whom we have lost, it is indeed a moment of holiness.

Judaism offers us tools to infuse our lives with holiness, to elevate the mundane, to transform the ordinary into the extraordinary. But it is up to us to invite that holiness into our lives. It is up to us to open our eyes each and every day to the holiness that surrounds us.

Rabbi Beau Shapiro

Nadine Zysman will assume the role of Principal at Brawerman West effective this July.

Nadine joined Wilshire Boulevard Temple as a teacher at the Mann Family Early Childhood Center immediately following her graduation from the University of Wisconsin. A year later, she earned a master’s degree in Education from Pepperdine University and began teaching at Brawerman. After several years in the classroom, Nadine returned to school to earn a master’s in Business Administration from the Graduate School of Nonprofit Management at American Jewish University. She worked as a development professional in Jewish education for the next six years before Nadine Breuer asked her to rejoin the Brawerman family in 2013 as Director of Admissions and Assistant Principal. Now Nadine Zysman and husband Zach (parents of Bernie, Taryn, and Jac) are Brawerman West and Mann Family Early Childhood Center parents.

Nadine’s passion for Jewish education, her strong desire to champion the school’s mission, and her love for our community are evident throughout the Temple family. Maxine and Nadine have worked together as administrators for the past four years, and for an additional five years when Nadine was a classroom teacher. Their partnership and Nadine’s relationship with the current students, parents, and teachers ensure a seamless transition as we move from strength to strength.

So, as we honor Maxine’s many years of service and commitment to the Brawerman community, we wish Nadine mazal tov as she enters into her new role as Brawerman West’s Principal.
Building Customs Together

As Jewish people, our families, rituals, and customs are of utmost importance. These traditions, which are passed down from generation to generation, make our experiences with the Jewish religion simultaneously universal and unique. At our nursery schools, we provide opportunities to develop these rituals and customs while giving families the chance to come together and share in Jewish Family Celebration Events at our school. Meaningful and fun experiences, planned for each age group, bridge the home/school connection.

For instance, our youngest children participate in Pajamarama, which is focused around the Sh’mah blessing. At school, the children decorate pillowcases adorned with this blessing, and on the night of the event they come with their families dressed in pajamas, their beautiful pillowcases proudly in hand.

Second-year children create Shabbat boxes that they can use in their homes each week. Prior to the school event, the children discuss their boxes and the meaning of the items they hold. They also decorate the Kiddush cup, candlesticks, and tzedakah box at school, then design a Shabbat box at home. At the event, families join together to hear a story from the rabbi, sing Shabbat songs, eat delicious food, and decorate the final item for the box, the challah cover.

The eldest children participate in Torah-cover making, a part of our kadima (graduation). At the kadima ceremony, the children walk into the sanctuary carrying a Torah that they have made during the course of the school year. The children have illustrated the Bible stories from the weekly rabbis’ Torah Talks. So when families come to school on the morning of the annual event and create a cover for the Torahs, they are completing a beautiful keepsake that the children can treasure for years to come.

Brawerman Elementary School

Problem Solving!

Brawerman Elementary School East has a special tikkan olam/social-justice based curriculum that teaches and reinforces tools needed to be a successful problem solver—skills involving listening, communication, empathy, creativity, teamwork, and individuality. The student-centered program embraces a quote from Pirkei Avot 2:21: “Lo alecha hamlacha ligmor, v’lo atah ben chorin l’hivatel mimena” (You are not expected to complete the task, but neither are you free to avoid it).

As program coordinator Maxine Rosin said: “We explain to the students that they may not solve the problem at hand, but they must do their part to help.”

Students have made their own “tool boxes”, which they put to use in a mixed-grade-level project, and last year groups made emergency kits and ceramics for Habitat for Humanity. This year, the focus is on a kindness campaign, which includes making meaningful apologies and dealing with conflict appropriately and effectively. Through this program, Brawerman problem solvers are discovering the impact of their roles in the world and finding their voices in the community.

Alumni Highlights

Zachary Fabrick, Brawerman Class of 2010 and Wildwood Class of 2016, is currently a freshman at the University of California, Santa Cruz. A pre-med student, he is focusing on intensive psychology with a Spanish minor and hopes to pursue a career that involves his passion for tikkan olam and helping people. Zach is also an active member of Hillel as well as Student Health Outreach and Promotion, and this summer will be working at the Sucov Lab at USC researching how stem cells can be harnessed to evolve cardiovascular medicine. Next year, he plans on becoming an HIV counselor on the UCSC campus and provide resources for people who test positive. Mazal tov, Zachary!
**An Exceptional Year**

May signals the end of our Religious School year and the beginning of thoughts of graduations, camp, summer vacations, and beach trips. Spring was a fantastic season for our school, due in large part to the overwhelming success of Purim with a Purpose! Thank you to everyone who helped make it such a positive day and to all who so generously sponsored our scholarship efforts.

Our families, students, and remarkable team of educators were responsible for this truly exceptional year. Hopefully you have already expressed your thanks by donating to our Teacher Gift Fund. If not, please try and do so before May 15. As we initially mentioned back in December (and you’ve heard from us during the last month), this is our staff’s holiday and appreciation gifts all wrapped into one. Simply go online to wbtla.org/religiousschool/teachergift to contribute. While we ask for $20 per student, any amount that works for your family and expresses your gratitude is wonderful. Our teachers appreciate this gift tremendously.

**Save the Dates**

**Religious School Shabbats:**
- Irmas Campus - Friday, May 5
- Glazer Campus - Friday, May 12

**Early-Bird Registration for RS 2017-18**
May 1 to May 31 - Register and pay a $100 deposit per student in May and receive a $75 tuition discount (tuition prices increase an additional $100 on August 1).

**Opening Our Hearts and Minds**

It was a lovely Saturday afternoon last June at the Irmas Campus. I had just set out round tables and chairs and a lovely buffet. There was a podium up front with a microphone for our two speakers. This was my first attempt with this program, and I was a little apprehensive. Would everyone show up?

And then they began to arrive, alone and in groups—35 congregants from Wilshire Boulevard Temple and an equal number of parishioners from Faithful Central Bible Church, all carrying their Bibles.

Our speakers arrived, each prepared to teach one hour of the two-hour session—Rabbi Steve Leder followed by Bishop Kenneth Ulmer. The program was an interfaith Bible study, something never attempted before in the city of Los Angeles, and it featured Jews and Christians studying scripture together and learning each other’s points of view. Our text was the Book of Genesis, but the subtext was forging bonds of friendship and understanding and widening our views of the other’s community.

By the end of the first session, we were laughing and chatting. By the fifth and final session, we were hugging one another hello and demanding more programs during the coming year. So in October, we celebrated Sukkot together. In January, we shared Friday night at temple and Sunday morning in church. In February, we met to tour the California African American Museum exhibit on the Munich 1936 Olympic Games. There was great food at each event; after all, there’s nothing like eating together to strengthen bonds of fellowship and love.

In June we will all convene for our second series of Bible classes—this time focusing on the Book of Exodus. And this year, I’m not worried. I know people will show up, and not just because they love learning. They’ll come to see dear friends and continue this extraordinary journey. I hope you’ll join us.

- Rabbi Susan Nanus, Director of Adult Programs

Our 2017 Bible Classes with Faithful Central Bible Church begin on Saturday, June 3, and run through the middle of July. Each session rotates in location, from our Westside Irmas Campus to FCBC. For a complete set of dates and more information, visit wbtla.org/bibleclasses.
With the sun setting over Dodger Stadium, 154 players gathered in the Stadium Club on March 16 to play poker, have fun, and raise scholarship funds for Wilshire Boulevard Temple Camps. Poker players and guests also enjoyed watching the first night of the NCAA Basketball Tournament, shooting hoops at the Pop-A-Shot, checking out the intriguing prize buckets for their raffle tickets, and eating, what else—Dodger Dogs!

The tireless efforts of the poker committee, chaired by Eric Kaufman and composed of David Babbush, Jason Berk, David Bernstein, Gary Cohn, Greg Epstein, Brad Gelfond, Todd Greene, Gil Harari, Josh Keimach, Dwayne Love, Elliot Mahn, Greg Nathan, Josh Passman, and Jodi Korn Radoff, paid off in spades. A great time was had by all.

Congratulations to tournament winner Joey Klein, who chose floor seats for a Lakers game along with a limo ride to and from the game as his first-place prize. Additional applause for Nadav Ravid, Michael Bornfeld, Jason Berk, Russell Greenman, Dwayne Love, Jeff Maynard, Greg Nathan, Rachel Bornfeld, and Buddy Epstein for finishing second through 10th in the tournament.

We are grateful to our many sponsors, donors, players, and guests for helping us raise much-needed scholarship funds, enabling us to provide for campers who otherwise wouldn’t have the opportunity of the transformative experiences found at Camp Hess Kramer and Gindling Hilltop Camp.
On Sunday, April 2, more than 100 Wilshire Boulevard Temple volunteers took part in Bikes for Tykes, our annual tikkun olam event that presents deserving Los Angeles children with a new bike—and all the fun, health, and happiness a new bike can bring. The event proved to be a moving experience and a fantastic culmination of the Karsh Family Social Service Center’s first full year of operation.

This year the Karsh Center was able to do an intake on a scale not previously achieved, and with a unique depth and breadth of experience for the families. Prior to receiving their bikes, every child and his or her family heard from a Karsh provider, received a book to support literacy, and enjoyed a delicious lunch. Big thanks go out to all our Karsh Navigators and other volunteers, and for the cooperative efforts of all our providers.

The other “side” of the day included the 100-plus congregants who showed up to build the bikes and support these children. We gathered in groups of friends and families and built 50 brand-new bikes before gifting them, along with helmets, locks, and lights, to the kids, who absolutely lit up when they saw their names emblazoned on the big sign: “Come and get your new bike!”

“Having a bicycle would give Iris a sense of pride and allow her to enjoy a physical activity with her peers,” said one mom. “Most of all, it would allow her to forget her circumstances for a while and just be a kid.”

We have now established relationships with families who hopefully will remain Karsh Center clients, and we continue to look for ways to engage with them—as clients, potential volunteers, or perhaps on a “reunion ride” during the next CicLAvia.
**TORAH AND LUNCH WITH RABBI LEDER 🌞**

Friday, May 5, 12:00 p.m., Century City

You bring your lunch while Rabbi Leder brings the wisdom of our ancestors at this last Torah Study session of the year. No prior knowledge of Torah or Hebrew is required. Cost: $36 for the series. RSVP required.

 Jamie Geller, jgeller@wbtla.org, (213) 835-2121

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**PIER FUN-RAISER**

Tuesday, May 9, 4:30 p.m., Santa Monica Pier

Bring the kids for rides, games, and more at Brawerman Elementary and the Early Childhood Centers annual Santa Monica Pier fundraiser! Net proceeds support the schools’ programs and scholarship funds.

 Sydney Spiegel, ssiegel@wbtla.org, (213) 835-2158

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**CAMP KULAM 🌞**

Friday, May 5–Sunday, May 7

Camp Kulam provides an enriching, fun, and inclusive weekend for families with children eight years old and younger who have special needs. Families experience three days filled with sports, arts and crafts, singing, dancing, a petting zoo, and ropes courses, all under the warmth of the coastal Malibu sun.

 Ari Kaplan, ari@wbtcamps.org, (213) 835-2130

[wbtcamps.org/campkulam](http://wbtcamps.org/campkulam)

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**FIRST FRIDAYS: SHABBA DABBA! 🌞**

Friday, May 5  🕞  6:00 p.m.

Family and friends are invited to this soulful, monthly participatory musical service. Stay for pizza and potluck; bring your favorite dairy or vegetarian sides.

 Ashley Sullivan, asullivan@wbtla.org

[wbtl.org/shabbadabba](http://wbtl.org/shabbadabba)

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**HOW TO KEEP OUR MEMORY WORKING BETTER, LONGER: A WOW EVENT 🌞**

Tuesday, May 9  🕞  6:15 p.m.

Can’t remember where you parked your car or the name of the person you just met? Want to improve your memory, keep it strong? This event, open to Women of Wilshire (female congregants between the ages of 50 and 70ish), presents scientifically proven ways to strengthen and maximize memory.

 Phil Wallace, pwallace@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8932

[wbtl.org/wow-memory](http://wbtl.org/wow-memory)

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**NEFESH 🌞**

Fridays, May 5 and 19  🕞  7:30 p.m.

Join our warm and welcoming Nefesh services, led by Rabbi Susan Goldberg with Nefesh musicians Duvid Swirsky, Sally Dworsky, and Ari Herstand. Come early for the vegetarian potluck and stay after for drinks and desserts.

 Ashley Sullivan, asullivan@wbtla.org

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**JEWSH MEN CAN JUMP 🌞**

Sunday, May 7  🕞  4:00 p.m.

This unique celebration of Israel Independence Day features a screening of the movie, On the Map (which tells the story of the 1977 basketball “dream” team from Tel Aviv), followed by a Q&A with producer Jon Weinbach and surprise VIP basketball players, plus dinner, singing, dancing, and a basketball clinic.

 Rabbi Elissa Ben-Naim, rebn@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8901

[jewishmencanjump.eventbrite.com](http://jewishmencanjump.eventbrite.com)

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**WOMEN’S TORAH STUDY WITH RABBI NANUS 🌞**

Fridays, May 12 and 26  🕞  12:30 p.m.

Bring your lunch and join us for a fascinating discussion of the Book of Samuel. We delve into the personalities, triumphs, failures, crimes, and love lives of two of our greatest Jewish kings: Saul and David.

 Phil Wallace, pwallace@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8932

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**DRUM CIRCLE SHABBAT 🌞**

Friday, May 12  🕞  6:00 p.m.

Join Rabbi Steve Leder, Cantor Seth Ettinger, and his YA’ALEH band for a special Youth Choir and Religious School Drum Circle Shabbat on the rooftop sports complex! Bring your families, drums, and shakers!

 Jesica Ryzenberg, cantoroffice@wbtla.org, (213) 835-2124

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**THE WILSHIREADERS 🌞**

Thursday, May 18  🕞  7:30 p.m.

Join the Temple’s book club at this last meeting of the 2016–17 year to discuss Saving Sophie by Ronald Balson.

 Phil Wallace, pwallace@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8932

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

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# Wilshire Boulevard Temple Calendar of Events

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*Events and times subject to change.*

- Glazer Campus (Eastside): 3663 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles 90010
- Irmas Campus (Westside): 11661 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles 90064
- OPCC Annenberg Access Center, Santa Monica
- Camp Hess Kramer: 11495 E. Pacific Coast Hwy, Los Angeles 90265
- Service time different than usual - please check online
ARDEN BROWN
May 6, 2017
Arden is the daughter of Alison and Michael Brown; the granddaughter of Linda and Edward Brown; Elaine and Herbert Stein.
Family Welcomer: Ethan Brown, brother.
Tikkun Olam Project: Arden volunteered at the Wilshire Boulevard Temple Food Pantry, where she organized and distributed food and drinks to hundreds of low-income people and the homeless.

IAN BARON
May 6, 2017
Ian is the son of Tanya and Jeff Baron; the grandson of Renee and Robert Baron; Patty Coppola; Kate and Arthur Coppola.
Family Welcomer: Ava Louise Baron, sister.
Tikkun Olam Project: Ian worked with the AYSO VIP Program, which is a special soccer program for children with physical or mental disabilities. As a “buddy,” Ian was able to share his love of soccer while encouraging the kids through drills and teaching them how to play the game.

SLOAN HILDEGARDE CROWN PETERSON
May 13, 2017
Sloan is the daughter of Janet Crown and Gunnar Peterson; stepdaughter of Steve Robinson and Jessica Peterson; granddaughter of Renee and Lester Crown; Judy and Karl Peterson.
Family Welcomers: Steve Robinson, Henry Peterson, Jack Peterson, Tara Robinson, Alexa Robinson, Jessica Peterson, and Zane Peterson.
Tikkun Olam Project: Sloan worked with We Charity, pledging a Day of Silence to raise money and awareness for children whose voices go unheard.

REBECCA JANE SCHIFF
May 13, 2017
Rebecca is the daughter of Michael and Jennifer Schiff; the granddaughter of Leonard and Bonnie Blum; Ronald Schiff and the late Anne Schiff.
Family Welcomers: Alexander and Benjamin Schiff, brothers.
Tikkun Olam Project: An avid chef who believes that all people should have access to healthy food, Rebecca worked with a number of organizations to ensure that the neediest in our city are fed. These efforts involved working with SOVA Community Food and Resource Program and the Westside Food Bank, collecting goods and distributing meals.

DYLAN MICHAELS
May 20, 2017
Dylan is the daughter of Lorin Michaels and the late Eddie Michaels; the granddaughter of Carol and Ronnie Goldman; Dr. Richard Pozil and the late Leah Pozil.
Family Welcomer: Matthew Michaels, brother.
Tikkun Olam Project: Dylan volunteered at the SOVA Community Food and Resource Program, as well as participated in the Our House Grief Center Run for Hope in memory of her dad.

WILSON BAUM
May 20, 2017
Wilson is the son of Tanya and Jeff Baum; the grandson of Renee and Robert Baron; Patty Coppola; Erika Baum, the late Robert Pauley, and the late Henry Baum.
Family Welcomers: Ava Louise Baron, sister.
Tikkun Olam Project: Wilson walked and cared for dogs up for adoption at the Dawg Squad. His family even adopted one of the dogs, 11-year-old Lily. Wilson also is making dog toys at his bar mitzvah reception that will be donated to local shelters.

CORY AVA PORTER
May 27, 2017
Cory is the daughter of Lea and Barry Porter; the granddaughter of Andre and Tova Lisbon; Barbara Porter and the late Jerome Porter.
Family Welcomers: Brandon and Bryce Porter, brothers.
Tikkun Olam Project: Cory is raising money for, and awareness of, International Medical Corps in its quest to relieve the suffering of those impacted by war, natural disasters, and disease. The organization provides first responders to world disasters (whether man-made or natural), and its selfless volunteers save lives while putting their own in mortal danger. The organization provides training to those it serves to help transition from relief to self-reliance.

MICHAEL BARAVARIAN
May 27, 2017
Michael is the son of Yas and Bob Baravarian; the grandson of Jila and Ben Yadegar; Sima and Shokrollah Baravarian.
Family Welcomer: Haley Sarah Baravarian, sister.
Tikkun Olam Project: Michael volunteered with Aviva Family and Children’s Services. Most teens arrive at Aviva’s Residential Treatment Center with nothing, and Michael helped assemble welcome baskets for its group foster home. Aviva’s services include prevention, intervention, and intensive treatment programs for adolescent girls.
RABBI EDGAR F. MAGNIN FUND

Lea and Barry Porter
In Honor of:
Todd Sherman by Todd Sherman

In Loving Memory of:
Pauline Adelman by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lowenstein
Rosalie Appel by Dorothy Snyder
Richard Barasch and Shirley B. Varon by Mr. Stephen Barasch
Byron Brandt by Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Gelfand
Gerald W. Elkins by Mrs. Diana Elkins
Harvey J. Fields by Jonathan Silberman and Debra Fields
Beth Fried by Lalana and Richard Hirschfeld
Patricia Gale by David Gale
Bill Gilbert by Mr. and Mrs. Mark Louchheim
Gladya Ginsberg by Mrs. Batte Feldman
Elizabeth Gottlieb by Mrs. Judi Douthit
Ruth A. Hoffman and Adolf Hoffman by Mrs. Paula Hoffman
Steven D. Karp by Daniel and Mary Brussell
Evelyn Kozberg by Mr. and Mrs. Martin L. Kozberg
Gary Kress by Erik Holmberg and Ronna Kress
Lillian Mark, mother, grandmother, great-grandma,
by Vera and Steven Mark
Joseph Mason by Anita Mason
Dr. Louis S. Mayers by Mr. Donald Hirsch
Noreen Nelson by Mr. and Mrs. Larry Kopald
Beloved grandson, Daniel Nuyen, by Mrs. Dorothy Weinberger

WILSHIRE BOULEVARD TEMPLE REDEVELOPMENT FUND

In Loving Memory of:
Sam Bluestone by Dr. and Mrs. David Bluestone
Jerry Mayerson by Mr. Michael Mayerson
Sanford Sigolf by Mrs. Betty Sigolf

CLERGY FUND

Amy Rosen
In Honor of:
Cantor Seth Ettinger by Mrs. Betty Donitz

In Loving Memory of:
Jack A. Arnel by Merle Galindo
Harriet Burton by the Burton Family Trust
Ed Landy by Belle Landy and family
Richard C. Levy by Ronnie Lev Issael
Mother, Minette London, by Mr. Michael Meyerson
Tracy Landy by Dr. and Mrs. Edward Landy
Linda Tepper by Debra Zane and Jeff Jarkow
Robert W. Velaise by Jean-Louis and Jennifer Velaise

PULPIT FLOWER FUND

In Loving Memory of:
Moran Kaplan by Edie and Joe Fischer
Dena Rothenberg by Edie and Joe Fischer

ANN AND SAM BERNSTEIN CHILDREN’S LIBRARY FUND

In Loving Memory of:
Sara A. Shaw by Joan Borinstein

FOOD PANTIES FUND

Lalo Fiorelli and Ewy Cambridge
Mrs. Jeanne Gerson
Sandy and Bob Schwartz

In Loving Memory of:
Rosalie Appel by Leah Gilbert
Dear grandfather, Milton “Papa” Blumer, by Lisa Agay Getz and Stan Getz
Harriet Burton by Mrs. Rita Harris
Soraya Delkham by Dina and Jacques Youssefnia
Beloved mother, Bess Epstein, and sister, Josephine Samuels,
by Mrs. Lucille Epstein
George Epstein by Mrs. Marian Brown
Loving and beloved husband, George Epstein,
by Mrs. Lucille Epstein
Sophia Gray Goldman by Ann Rubin
Beloved mother and grandmother, Sophia Gray Goldman,
by Suzanne Rubin
Stanley Hirsh by Mrs. Anita Hirsh
Anna Klein by Florence Stark
Frank D. Krevin by Helen Lewis
Rosanna Michaud and Nicholas Lubin
Mr. and Mrs. Mark Michaud
Josephine H. Samuels by Gertrude Kline
Sarah Slay by Mr. and Mrs. Hal Slay
Milton H. Wolf by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wolf

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In Loving Memory of:
Betty Gluckin by Dina and Jeffrey Tranan
Helen Goldfelder by Joan Goldfelder and Jonathan Gross

PRAYER BOOK DEDICATION AND PUBLICATION FUND

In Loving Memory of:
Isaac A. Fogleman by Dr. and Mrs. Alan Fogleman
Donald Greenberg by Mr. Harold Greenberg

MANN FAMILY EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

In Loving Memory of:
Leonard Pearlman by Caroline, Mark, and Evan Kuperstock
Leonard Pearlman by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nadel

ERIKA J. GLAZER EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

In Loving Memory of:
Yale White, great grandfather of Noah and Jake Kaufman,
by Marlene White Lenard

GERI AND RICHARD BRAWERMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

In Loving Memory of:
Richard Horowitz by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lurie
Shirley Landsman by Mrs. Geri Brawerman
Ronggu Xin by Monte Gordon

BRAWERMAN ENDOWMENT—NADINE BREUER FUND

In Honor of:
Cantor Don Gunney by Mr. and Mrs. Stephen E. Breuer

In Loving Memory of:
Neil Markman by Lizzie and Gil Hara

ANNE AND NATHAN SPILBERG ANNUAL LECTURE ON JEWISH LIFE

In Loving Memory of:
Boris Porter by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Porter
Ida Sosnow by Susan and Bruce Levin

RABBI HARVEY J. AND SYBIL A. FIELDS EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In Honor of:
Maya Shendouck’s bat mitzvah by Ms. Maxine Keith

In Loving Memory of:
Angie Izzicupo by Joan Harrison and Michael Janofsky
Derevy Weiss by Mrs. Sarelde Riskind

SUSAN SRENE MEMORIAL FUND

In Loving Memory of:
Cousin Susan Sreene by Betty and Benson Sreene

MUSIC PUBLICATION FUND

In Honor of:
Cantors Gunney and Ettinger and Lily Kerner
by Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Kerner

In Loving Memory of:
Robert Yablans by Ruth Yablans

DR. JEROME TOBER FUND FOR ARTISTIC EXPRESSION

In Loving Memory of:
Vernon Beck by Mrs. Winifred Beck

CARING COMMUNITY

In Honor of:
Rabbi Shapiro’s blessings on my 90th birthday by Jeanne Gerson

GRIEF SUPPORT FUND

Gerald Rosen

We appreciate your generous donations. An $18 minimum donation is required for each acknowledgment card.

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Welcome to new Temple members...

Nicole and Cameron Francis and their daughter, Caroline...Rebecca and George Greenberger and their son, Oliver...Shari and Jason Hahn and their son, Spencer...Lisa-Beth Harris...Sharon and Pooya Mohaseri and their daughter, Audrey...Michele De Rosa and Mark Strunin...Stephanie and Michael Todd and their daughter, Ava...Kristen and Babi Uppal and their daughter, Henna...

Congratulations to...

Deena and Adam Feiner on the birth of their daughter, Violet Beau Feiner, and to big brother, Xander...Rabbi Karen Fox and Michael Rosen on the birth of their granddaughter, Lena Birdie Fox-Rosen...Cheri and Bob Lauterbach on the birth of their granddaughter, Hannah Lauterbach Dale...Misha and Elliot Nayssan on the birth of their daughter, Blake Shy Nayssan, and to big brother, Kobi...Lisa and David Neman on the birth of their son, Parker Simon Neman, to big brother and sister, Preston and Priscilla, to aunt and uncle, Lina and Michael Cohan, and to cousins, Alexandra and Sloan...Brittany and Aaron Phillips on the birth of their son, Grayson Allen Phillips, to grandparents, Nancy and Edward Phillips, to aunt, Rachel Phillips, and to uncle, David Phillips...Julia and David Ramin on the birth of their daughter, Charлизе Jооlе Ramin, and to big brother, Ryan...Jamie and Eric Rudner on the birth of their daughter, Sienna Reign Rudner, and to big brother, Mason...

Condolences to...

Valerie and Hillard Gordon on the death of her mother, Rosalie Appel...Yaniv Bar-Cohen on the death of his wife, Dorin Bar-Cohen, and to children, Aidan and Levi...Flo Stark and Phyllis Wolf on the death of their sister, Harriet Burton...Marissa and Josh Hamilton on the death of her grandmother, Norma Candib, and to great-grandchildren, Jane and Grant...Elena Muravina and Carl Buchberg on the death of her father, Arkady Eddovich, and to granddaughters, Rose and Anna...Lynda and Stewart Resnick on the death of her father, Jack Harris...Elanor and Jonathan Lewis on the death of her father, Richard Horowitz, and to grandchildren, Samuel and Rachel...Joshua and Robyn Mandleberg on the death of his grandmother, Anne Kaplan, and to great-granddaughter, Emily...Karen Platt and Kenneth Kay on the death of their father, Morton Kay...Arthur Keith on the death of his wife, Marilyne Keith...Amanda and Andrew Schuon on the death of her grandmother, Sandy Linka, and to great-granddaughters, Layla and Willa...Mickey Mayerson on the death of his mother, Gail Mayerson, and to grandchildren, Jordon and Madeline...Lori and Bruce Berman on the death of her father, Al Michaels, and to grandchildren, Josh, Sophie, and Adam...Felisa and David Fensenthal on the death of her father, Leonard Pearlman, and to grandchildren, Michael, Deena, and Amira...Neil and Muriel Sherman on the death of his sister, Gayle Preiser, to nephew, Todd Sherman, and to great-niece, Alexis...Gayle Leventhal on the death of her sister, Patti Ross, to nephew, Ron Magnin, to nephew and niece, Randolph and Kimberly Magnin, and to great nieces and nephews, Anna, William, Jacob, and Rachel...Richard Smooke on the death of his wife, Judith Smooke, to son and daughter-in-law, Stuart and Michele Shamus, and to grandsons, Zachary and Matthew...Alexis and Blake Alban on the death of her grandmother, Rosia Bea Speed, and to great-grandchildren, Anderson, Lincoln, and Lennox...

And to all immediate and extended family.

Events (continued)

HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR BLESSING AND SHABBAT DINNER 🕊
Friday, May 19 🕊 6:00 p.m.
During the Shabbat service, our clergy will bless our Temple’s high school seniors who are going off to college! Stay afterwards for a catered dinner (cost: $25 per person).
Cheryl Garland, cgarland@wbtla.org, (213) 835-2167
wbtl.org/seniorblessing

JEWSH WOMEN’S THEATRE PRESENTS: MORE COURAGE 🕊
Sunday, May 21 🕊 2:00 p.m.
We all want more courage. This show presents stories of brave acts, small and large, that change lives and inspires us. Cost: $18.
Phil Wallace, pwallace@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8932
wbtl.org/jwt

JEWSH ARTS AND CULTURAL RETREAT 🕊
Friday, May 26–Monday, May 29 🕊
Among the weekend’s activities are singing, dancing, fine arts, and theater—and then you get to choose the specific arts workshops that interest you most.
Erica Feinman, erica@wbtcamps.org, (213) 835-2145
dassaartsretreat.eventbrite.com

Tributes (continued)

KEHILLAH COMMUNITY CAMP FUND
In Honor of:
The birth of Hannah Lauterbach Dale by David and Stephanie Eshel
The birth of Hannah Lauterbach Dale by Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Glucksman
The birth of Hannah Lauterbach Dale by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nadel
Mark Pinkus’s 50th birthday and 31st anniversary of being co-senior counselor for Cabin Johnny by David Saperstein
The birth of Lena Birdie Fox-Rosen by Mele and Arnie Weiner
Sam Slukin’s bar mitzvah by David and Stephanie Eshel
In Loving Memory of:
Dear grandfather, Milton “Papa Moost” Agay, by Lisa Agay Getz and Stan Getz
Lynn M. Bernstein by Terry Alkana

YONI LICHT CAMPSHIP FUND
In Honor of:
The birthday of Dr. Sam Tarica by Dr. and Mrs. Steven Kend

SAUER FAMILY CAMP FUND
Richard Sharp
In Loving Memory of:
Marlene Sauer by Mr. and Mrs. Stephen E. Breuer
Marlene Sauer by Mr. and Mrs. Steven Brown
Marlene Sauer by the Camp Committee
Marlene Sauer by Dorothy Elchoness
Marlene Sauer by Esther Ellenbaum
Marlene Sauer by Suzanne Harmatz
Marlene Sauer by Ms. Sally Korn
Marlene Sauer by Joyce Tapper

FOOD PANTRIES
Sponsored by
Anita Hirsh in honor of Stanley Hirsh
Thank you to those individuals and families who have chosen either to underwrite ($1,000) or sponsor ($500) a week of food.
If you are interested in joining this effort, please contact Rabbi M. Beaumont Shapiro at (424) 208-8930 or email dmagilnick@wbtla.org.
Mitzvah ge’iret mitzvah—doing a mitzvah leads to doing more.
Thank you to Canter’s Deli, Brooklyn Bagel, Noah’s Bagel Larchmont, and Western Bagel West L.A., for their weekly donation of bread to our Food Pantries.
Schedule of Shabbat Worship & Study

FRIDAY, MAY 5
Shabba Dabba
Rabbi Goldberg and Leder
6:00 p.m.

Soul Sounds Shabbat
Rabbi Eshel and Cantor Ettinger
6:00 p.m.

Nefesh
Rabbi Goldberg and the Nefesh Band
7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 6
Torah Study
Leviticus Acharei Mot and K’doshim
16:1-18:30 and 19:1-20:27
Rabbi Marc Gelman
9:00 a.m.

Tot Shabbat
Rabbi Goldberg
9:30 a.m.

Nefesh Adult Bat Mitzvah
Rabbi Goldberg
10:00 a.m.

Shabbat Services
Bat Mitzvah of Arden Brown
Rabbi Leder and Cantor Ettinger
10:00 a.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 12
Drum Circle Shabbat
Rabbi Shapiro and Cantor Ettinger
6:00 p.m.

Youth Choir Shabbat
Rabbi Eshel and Cantor Soloist
Jacqueline Rafii
6:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 13
Torah Study
Leviticus Emor (21:1-24:23)
Rabbi Karen Fox
9:00 a.m.

Shabbat Services
Bat Mitzvah of Sloan Crown Peterson
Rabbi Leder and Cantor Ettinger
10:00 a.m.

Bat Mitzvah of Rebecca Schiff
Rabbi Eshel and Cantor Soloist
Ellen Sugerman
10:00 a.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 19
Shabbat Services
Rabbi Eshel and Cantor Ettinger
6:00 p.m.

High School Senior Blessing Shabbat
Rabbi Shapiro and Cantor Soloist
Jacqueline Rafii
6:00 p.m.

Nefesh
Rabbi Goldberg and the Nefesh Band
7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 20
Torah Study
Leviticus B’har and B’chukotai
25:1-26:2 and 26:3-27:34
Avi Cohen
9:00 a.m.

Tot Shabbat
Rabbi Goldberg
9:30 a.m.

Shabbat Services
Bat Mitzvah of Dylan Michaels
Rabbi Leder and Cantor Ettinger
10:00 a.m.

Bar Mitzvah of Wilson Baum
Rabbi Eshel and Ari Kaplan
10:00 a.m.

No services at Irmas Campus

FRIDAY, MAY 26
Shabbat Services
Rabbi Shapiro and Cantor Ettinger
6:00 p.m.

Rabbi Eshel and Cantor Soloist
Jacqueline Rafii
6:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 27
Torah Study
Numbers B’midbar (1:1-4:20)
Rabbi Marc Gelman
9:00 a.m.

Shabbat Services
Bat Mitzvah of Cory Porter
Rabbi Shapiro and Cantor Ettinger
10:00 a.m.

Bar Mitzvah of Michael Baravarian
Rabbi Eshel and Cantor Soloist
Ellen Sugerman
10:00 a.m.