If you were a Jew in ancient Israel 2,500 years ago, your Shabbat service would have no rabbi, no cantor, no prayers, no reading of the Torah and no synagogue! You and your family would simply stay home and rest in your village, or you would visit the Great Temple in Jerusalem. There you would join crowds of other Jews to watch the priests perform the special Shabbat sacrifice on the Temple altar. You would listen to a choir of Levites chanting special Shabbat psalms, accompanied by Temple musicians playing lutes, harps, lyres, flutes and cymbals.

It wasn’t until the Temple was destroyed in 586 B.C.E. by the Babylonians and the Jews were taken into captivity that the need for a synagogue arose. Grief-stricken over the loss of their spiritual center, Jewish leaders quickly organized places where the community could pray and study. Each center was called a Beit Knesset, a “House of Gathering,” the Hebrew phrase we use today for synagogue.

The Beit Knesset and Shabbat worship have evolved over the millennia, yet we still celebrate Shabbat’s core values—the wonder of Creation and the world around us, the holiness and possibility of time, the importance of study, the blessings of family, the commitment to community, the joy and elevation of the soul.

Each month we present an inspiring array of Shabbat offerings, some new, some classic, each unique yet also a continuation of our ancient Shabbat traditions. Come and explore!

**EREV SHABBAT, 6:00 p.m.**

**SHABBA DABBA, First Friday of the month, Glazer Campus**

This participatory service for children and families welcoming Shabbat with music and joy is led by Rabbi Susan Goldberg, Cantorial Intern Seth Ettinger, musician David Swirsky of Moshav Band and an ensemble of extraordinary musicians. Stay after for pizza and a dairy potluck, good conversation and play. Children and adults of all ages are welcome! wbtl.org/shabbadabba

**SOUL SOUNDS SHABBAT, First Friday of the month, Irmas Campus**

Each month we celebrate Shabbat in a different musical style, led by Cantor Gurney and an ensemble of musicians and singers, followed by a matzah-ball-soup *Oneg Shabbat*. Coming up: On the Wings of Strings Soul Sounds, Camp Lovers Soul Sounds, The Wise Men of Chelm Soul Sounds, Jerusalem of Gold Soul Sounds and more.

**YOUTH CHOIR SHABBAT, One Friday of the month, Irmas Campus**

The lyrical voices of young singers from our congregation offer a beautiful musical experience with solos, duets and choral renditions of our Shabbat prayers, accompanied by a joyous rhythm section of bass, drums and saxophone. A delicious chocolate challah *Oneg Shabbat* follows.

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What I cherish most about Torah is not the TO DO stories, but the NOT TO DO stories. A good example is the story of Jacob, told in Genesis. Jacob is a complicated character. His struggle unfolds before our eyes as he grows up to deceive his brother, trick his father, obey his mother and wrestle with angels. A self-made man, Jacob works hard for his bounty in life, even as he faces deceit and manipulation at the hand of his uncle, Laban.

Jacob fathers 13 children (12 sons and one daughter) with four mothers over 20 years. With each child, the mothers struggle to determine their own place of importance, and they name their children to help guide their destiny: Among them are Asher, meaning “What fortune,” or Gad, meaning “What luck!” By circumstance Jacob does not manage to bless all his children when they are young, and they suffer for it. Everyone knows that Joseph and Benjamin are his favorites. “Joseph this and Joseph that” is what the brothers hear from Jacob their entire lives. Fast-forward to Jacob’s deathbed. Finally, Jacob brings each of his sons close and, one by one, whispers blessings in their ears, finding a trait, talent or attribute that makes each unique in his eyes.

Jacob waited too late to acknowledge the uniqueness of each of his children. Imagine how much more those blessings would have meant if they had come along sooner during the journey of life rather than only in the last moments before death. The lesson of Jacob’s life is not to pass up the opportunity, in the moment, to bless the important people in our lives. Each day is a chance to cherish, bless and acknowledge the uniqueness of those who surround us. With thanks to James Taylor for his beautiful phrase, don’t wait until it’s too late to “shower the people you love with love.”

Shower the People You Love with Love
Vayechi : Genesis 49:1-27

Rabbi Elissa Ben-Naim

Torah Portion

NEFESH, Third Friday of the month, Glazer Campus
All are welcome to a heaping portion of soul food in Staford Hall. Music and more music crafted by the skilled Duvid Swirsky of Moshav Band, singer-songwriter Sally Dworsky and many other talented Los Angeles musicians open our hearts to the soul rest of Shabbat. Rabbi Susan Goldberg shares a teaching, and Cantorial Intern Seth Ettinger brings the powerful nusach of our tradition. Stay after the service for dinner, drinks, and welcome Shabbat in! Sign up and prepay for dinner online. wbtla.org/nefesh

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Torah Study and Kaddish, 9:00 a.m., Glazer Campus
A lively tradition of Torah study has firmly taken root at the Glazer Campus. Join in the study and discussion every week or drop in when you can. The Wilshire Boulevard Temple clergy rotate with special guests to lead the study, at the conclusion of which the Mourner’s Kaddish is recited.

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Rabbi Susan Goldberg
Susan Nanus, Director of Adult Programs
Sharing Our Talent

I am constantly amazed by the remarkably talented people who make up our great congregation and am humbled by their willingness to share their gifts. We have the resources and the collective talent to change the world for the better—and we’re doing exactly that.

Last month, 20 Temple members who are practicing attorneys came together to change lives. In partnership with Bet Tzedek, the pro bono legal services agency, our volunteer attorneys spent a day at the Glazer Campus preparing advanced medical directives and statutory wills for Holocaust survivors.

In the words of event chair David Lash, “Only attorneys can make the promise of democracy a reality.” It was truly an emotional and inspiring day.

Two weeks later, over the course of an equally inspiring day, medical and dental professionals and Wilshire Boulevard Temple volunteers gathered at the Los Angeles Memorial Sports Arena for the Care Harbor Health Clinic, the largest free health clinic in the country. Thousands of patients were greeted and treated by Temple volunteers who used their talents to bring hope and healing to those who need it most.

We break ground next summer on the Karsh Family Social Service Center at the Glazer Campus. When it opens in 2016, we’ll offer year-round pro bono legal services as well as dental and medical services to our neighbors, along with many other opportunities for every Wilshire Boulevard Temple member to share talents with those in need.

Rabbi M. Beaumont Shapiro

Adult Opportunities

From Kabbalah to the Big Bang: Ancient Wisdom and Contemporary Spirituality

What is the Zohar, and what does it have to do with Kabbalah? Congregants often ask me. That question will be answered, along with many others about Jewish mysticism, power, love and sexuality, at our next Adult Retreat at Camp Hess Kramer, February 28 – March 2, 2014.

What IS the whole of Jewish mysticism? How can we see beneath the surface of our lives? How can the Zohar, the masterpiece of spiritual Jewish thought, jolt us out of our religious misconceptions and open us to experience Torah, which places the sparks of God’s presence at its center? Together, we’ll investigate faith and science, uncover the feminine side of God, ponder the divine connection among humans, animals, trees and plants. We’ll also enjoy relaxing time together and on our own, with good food and wine, walks on the beach, chair massages, hikes in the surrounding mountains, and songs around the campfire!

Join me on this spiritual quest with Daniel Matt, Ph.D., one of the world’s leading authorities on Kabbalah and professor at Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. This dynamic, charismatic author of more than 10 books, including God and the Big Bang: Discovering Harmony between Science and Spirituality, has been featured in Time magazine, on National Public Radio and on the History Channel.

Temple members and camp alumni are invited to share this incredible weekend of learning and living. Register early—space is limited.

Do you have questions about Zohar, your own spiritual path or the retreat? Call me at (424) 208-8932.

Rabbi Karen Fox

Visit wbtl.org/adultretreat for more information.
Accreditation Time Is Here!

Brawerman is in the midst of the periodic review of accreditation conducted by WASC (Western Association of Schools and Colleges), a complex process that includes the formulation of School-wide Learner Outcomes, objectives we expect every student to be able to meet. Each outcome below has many components, which are further discussed on our website. Please go to brawerman.org for the details.

SCHOOLWIDE LEARNER OUTCOMES
1. Every student will be an academically competent, inspired lifelong learner.
2. Every student will have a deep connection to and competence in Hebrew and Jewish studies.
3. Every student will be an effective oral and written communicator.
4. Every student will be an effective problem solver academically and socially.
5. Every student will be a mensch—a kind, respectful, ethical human being.

The entire school community—parents, educators, clergy, administrator—had input into defining these goals. In the coming months we will develop an action plan for the next five years. This will become the road map for our future and will ensure that Brawerman continues to be exceptional, soulful and forward thinking.

Nadine Breuer
Head of School

Mitzvah Maccabiah Retreat Magic

The first weekend in November, Camp Hess Kramer in Malibu was the magical site of the Religious School’s Grades 3-7 retreat. Incorporating the school year’s Mitzvah Magic theme, the weekend was designed as a Mitzvah Maccabiah, during which students celebrated Shabbat, made new friends, played sports, created art projects and sang with wonderful music specialist Jason Mesches.

Over the course of their stay, the students went on a journey with their leader, “Confused Carrie” (played by yours truly in a wig), whose name changed every program to keep students on their toes. Friday night the campers and Confused Carrie learned more about the mitzvot they are immersed in this year through Mitzvah Magic—caring for the environment, honoring the elderly, caring for animals and so on. Saturday morning “mitzvah heroes” were introduced, ordinary people portrayed by the staff who were changing the world through their extraordinary actions, such as welcoming and assisting new immigrants to Israel or creating a community in which disabled adults could live independently with support services. Each Maccabiah team chose one mitzvah hero to present with an award.

Friendly competition heated up Saturday afternoon with Mitzvah Maccabiah activities that included ga-ga, Ping-Pong-ball-on-a-spoon races, soccer, basketball and musical chairs. That night, the students shared personally meaningful mitzvot, presenting their causes via paper T-shirts they’d devised, inspired by the NU campaign in Israel, which promotes charitable causes through unique T-shirt designs (www.nucampaign.org). Check out some of the students’ creations displayed around the Religious School.

Ashley Berns, Rabbinic Education Intern

To see more pictures, visit: www.facebook.com/WBTReligiousSchool
The Parenting Center for Parents

Parenthood is exciting and exhausting, affirming and at times also isolating. With limited sleep and scarcely enough time to take a shower or sit down to eat, you can easily end up on autopilot. Our Parenting Center is here to offer you camaraderie, education and fun. As we work together to prepare your child for kindergarten in our top-notch NAEYC-accredited nursery school programs, we become your extended family. You can count on a knowledgeable facilitator plus the support of other parents who are going through similar experiences with children the same age. No one understands your daily struggles—or your successes—the way other new parents do. Our Jewish community is a place that offers a spiritual home where you, like your child, can learn, grow, find friendship, respect, support and comfort.

Check out our latest Parenting Center classes offered at both the Glazer Campus and the Irmas Campus: wbtl.org/ecc

Camps

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Rabbi David Eshel’s team of eight and Camp Committee Chair Dan Wolf’s team of 11 raised more than $20,000, representing Wilshire Boulevard Temple Camps very well! Thanks to the commitment of everyone involved, more kids will have the opportunity to build a lifelong connection to Jewish values and to experience the tremendous personal growth fostered by Jewish summer camp. The pooled proceeds will benefit Los Angeles campers at Camp Akiba, Camp Alonim, Camp JCA Shalom, Kibbutz Max Straus, Camp Gilboa, Camp Moshava Malibu, Camp Ramah and Wilshire Boulevard Temple Camps.

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We're taking a look back at just some of the news coverage of the Sanctuary and Glazer Campus development project this past year. While modesty is generally a virtue, we think it's not too immodest to toot our own shofar to our Temple family. We thought you'd want to know how much the wider Los Angeles community is interested in what we're doing together at Wilshire Boulevard Temple.

Los Angeles Times, Feb. 11
by Martha Groves
Her Turn to Pay It Forward: Philanthropist Pledges
$30 Million for a Synagogue’s Restoration
“Erika Glazer came of age at Wilshire Boulevard Temple, listening to the preachings of the late Edgar Magnin—the ‘rabbi to the stars’ who envisioned a grand sanctuary west of downtown Los Angeles and persuaded Hollywood notables to help fund it.”

AP, June 2
by John Rogers
AP: $150 Million Reboot for Hollywood Temple to Stars
“By 2020, synagogue leaders plan to have overhauled the entire block of Wilshire Boulevard that the temple occupies, replacing a parking lot with a social services center that will include a food pantry and medical, dental and other services that will be open to everyone in the multiethnic neighborhood.”

KCRW, July 9
By Edward Goldman
The City of Angels in All Its Imperfect Glory
“A couple of weeks ago, I went on a press walk-through given by Rabbi Steven Leder and architect Brenda Levin. It was my first experience visiting this formidable building, and I was duly impressed by its sumptuous architecture and richness of interior décor.”

The New York Times, Aug 18
By Adam Nagourney
Second Act for the Temple of the Stars
“. . . Faced with the threat of extinction that has forced synagogues in other parts of the country to close or merge, Wilshire has responded with force: a $150 million program to restore the synagogue to its former grandeur and, in fact, make it even grander.”

Jewish Journal, Aug. 22
By Elyse Samuels
How Do You Raise $120 Million?
“Ask Rabbi Steven Z. Leder what the mission of Wilshire Boulevard Temple is, and he’ll tell you, “We make Jews.” The temple started making Jews two centuries ago, in 1862, when the country stood divided, engaged in Civil War, with Abraham Lincoln as the president of the United States.”

L.A. Weekly, Sept. 5
by Carol Cheh
Wilshire Boulevard Temple Launches a Unique Project to Bridge Religion and Art
“A Memorial Wall designed by internationally known artist Lita Albuquerque was scheduled to be unveiled Sept. 4, when the temple’s newly refurbished Magnin Sanctuary building reopens, just in time for the High Holy Days. . . . And a series of custom-designed bench installations by Jenny Holzer, known for her iconic Truisms artworks, is planned for completion by December.”

Jewish Journal, Oct. 9
By Ryan Torok
Moving and Shaking: L.A. Mayor Eric Garcetti visits Wilshire Boulevard Temple
“More than 1,700 people, including Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, turned out for the community-wide dedication and interfaith choral concert at the renovated and recently reopened Wilshire Boulevard Temple in Koreatown. Singer-songwriter Burt Bacharach performed “What the World Needs Now Is Love” during a special closing ceremony at the synagogue, with audience members singing along and recording the performance on their cell phones.”

We hope you share our pride in all we’ve accomplished together so far!
BALAGAN SALON—A CHANUKAH REMIX 🎥
with the L.A. Sephardic Music Festival
Tuesday, December 3,
Voila! 518 N. La Brea Ave, LA, CA 90036, 7:30 p.m.
Celebrate Chanukah as we mix it up with the L.A. Sephardic Music Festival.
You’ll marvel at the host of imaginative latke incarnations by gourmet food blogger Nina Safar of Kosher in the Kitch!—cheese blintz latkes, butternut squash hashbrown latkes, broccoli cheddar latkes and zucchini parmesan latkes.
Diwon will be on the turntables spinning world music and Chanukah remixes along with incredible songs from the Sephardic Music Festival CDs, such as Matisyahu, Moshe, Yasmin Levy and tons more!
$18
📍 Phil Wallace, pwallace@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8932
🌐 www.wbtla.org/vodkaandlatkes

THE BEST SHORT STORIES EVER TOLD:
WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY LUNCH-AND-LEARN WITH RABBI FOX
Friday, December 6 and 20 🕒 12:30 p.m.
This year we will focus on the fascinating books of the Writings, the last and most dramatic section of the TaNaCh (the Hebrew Bible) and spend three to four weeks on each amazing story: Jonah, Ecclesiastes, Esther, Song of Songs, Ruth and Lamentations. Experience studying, eating together and enjoying the fruits of Torah. Bring your own lunch, and we’ll supply dessert and drinks.
📍 Phil Wallace, pwallace@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8932

THE LOS ANGELES PHILHARMONIC IN THE SANCTUARY 🎼
Friday, December 6 🕒 8:00 p.m.
Shabbat blessings at 7:55 p.m.
The world-renowned Los Angeles Philharmonic will perform at Wilshire Boulevard Temple in our magnificent Sanctuary.
$50-150
📍 Karen Schetina, kschetina@wbtla.org, (213) 835-2153
🌐 www.wbtla.org/laphil

A MORNING CUP OF TORAH WITH RABBI GOLDBERG 🕒
Wednesday, December 11 🕒 8:45 a.m.
Join our new rabbi, Susan Goldberg, for a morning shot of Jewish learning. This class is designed for Glazer Nursery School and Brawerman East parents (though others are welcome too!) to deepen your Jewish learning. Rabbi Susan will shape the class around your questions and interests. All levels of Jewish knowledge are welcome.
📍 Nan Brostoff, nan@wbtla.org, (213) 835-2121

WILSHIRE READERS 📖
Thursday, December 12 🕒 7:30 p.m.
Join our book club and embark on this exciting yearlong exploration of critically acclaimed books that have achieved national recognition. Led by Great Books facilitator Rochelle Ginsburg. This month’s book is When a Crocodile Eats the Sun by Peter Godwin.
📍 Phil Wallace, pwallace@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8932
🌐 www.wbtla.org/bookclub

TORAH AND LUNCH WITH RABBI LEDER 🕒
Friday, December 13
Century City, 12:00 p.m.
The rabbis said Torah is the best business. Why not mix business and Torah over lunch a few times a year? Join Rabbi Leder for lunch and Torah study on nine Fridays. You bring your lunch; Rabbi Leder brings the wisdom of our ancestors. No prior knowledge of Torah or Hebrew is necessary. Come to one, a few, or all of the sessions.
📍 Nan Brostoff, nan@wbtla.org, (213) 835-2121

CHRISTMAS COOKS 🎅🏽
Wednesday, December 25
Various OPCC facilities, 10:30 a.m.
For many of our non-Jewish neighbors, Christmas is a time to celebrate with family and enjoy a home-cooked meal. But for the most needy in our city, Christmas can be a painful reminder of how difficult and lonely their lives have become.
Join us as we partner with OPCC to cook and serve Christmas lunch at several of their housing facilities on the Westside. It’s a meaningful way to give back on a day that means so much to so many of our neighbors.
📍 Denise Magilnick, dmagilnick@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8930
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For more information, including time and location, on all of the events in this calendar, visit www.wbtl.org/events
Tributes

RABBI EDGAR F. MAGNIN FUND
James and Simone Barrett
In Honor Of:
Rabbi Eshel and Seth Ettinger on the occasion of Matthew Sandler’s Bar Mitzvah by Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Singer
William Laisner for a speedy recovery by Taya and Ronald Meyer
In Loving Memory Of:
Marjorie and George Ansell by Debra and Benjamin Ansell
Rose Barash by Leah Barash and Family
Isaac Bergman by Dr. & Mrs. Barnett Bergman
Sarah Blum by Joseph and Gail Lowenstein
Stanley by Margaret Brown
Claire J. Cantor by Linda Cantor
Bernard Citron by Cecile Bartman
Anna Lee Dreyer by Leila Shaffer
Philip Kassell by Phyllis Kassell
Bertrand Fairbanks by Ruth Stafford
Ada F. Hecht by Ann Saltzman and Judy Spigelman
Mimiam Hoffman and Milton Hoffman by Paula Hoffman
Jerome Jaffe by Debbie and Rich Powell
Harry Kaplan by Aaron and Blaine Kaplan
Sarah Klein by Helen and Samuel Klein
Melvin D. Lipman by Dana, Nathaniel, Megan and Jessica Lipman
Bassie Miller-Brodsky by Muriel Brodsky
Myer Orlikoff by Lorin Michaels
In Loving Memory Of:
Dara Helfant
Carolyn Winer
CLERGY FUND
Molly Cinnamon
Sydney Rosenberg by Jackie Rosenberg
In Loving Memory Of:
Herman E. Schwartz by Max Schwartz
Howard Weisenfeld
Eddie Michaels by Melanie and Eddie Michaels by Judy and Sheldon Katz
In Honor Of:
Adam Goldman
Eddie Michaels by Jennifer and Gert Greenspoon by Elly and Dan Wolf
By Joel Ullman by Phyllis Wolf
SEPTEMBER CAMPSHIP FUND
In Honor Of:
Rabbi David Eshel on the occasion of our son, Michael Gillenbain’s Bar Mitzvah by Steven Gillenbain and Karen Hum
Rabbi David Eshel for officiating at the wedding of Sari and Jordan Silverberg by Ava Silverberg
In Loving Memory Of:
Carl Imerman by Merle & Arie Weiner and Sharon and Jason Fisher
Lil Nathan by ANN and Sam Bernstein
Sondra Spatt by Michael Abrams, Randye Sorel and Jolie Abrams
RABBIE HARVEY J. FIELDS EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND
In Loving Memory Of:
Esther Caden by Diana Arnold-Glynn
Carrie Gerson by Jeanne Gerson
Ramon Gerson and Herbert Lindenbaum by Jeanne Gerson
Dearest husband, Dr. Lester Riskind by Sondra Riskind
MUSIC PUBLICATION FUND
In Honor Of:
Seth Ettinger by Jayne Behman
Cantor Don Gunrey and the Youth Choir by Judi, David and David Helfant
Cantor Don Gunrey on the occasion of our son, Michael Gillenbain’s Bar Mitzvah by Steven Gillenbain and Karen Hum
Cantor Don Gunrey for officiating at the bar mitzvah of Cadence Davis’s Bar Mitzvah by Susan and Hal Daum
Cantor Don Gunrey, Seth Ettinger and Eran Bar-Adon on the occasion of our son, Ethan Greenberg’s Bar Mitzvah by Michael and Daniel Greenberg
In Loving Memory Of:
Franziska Faerman by Eileen Seidlin
Sarah Sukey Friedman by Nancy and Hal Daum
JORDAN EHRLICH FUND FOR PROGRAMS IN BUSINESS ETHICS
In Loving Memory Of:
Jordan M. Ehrlich by Nadine and Steven Breuer
Jordan M. Ehrlich by Jared, Sydney, Jordan and Samantha Breuer
Our beloved son, Jordan Ehrlich by Susan and Bill Ehrlich
CARING COMMUNITY FUND
In Loving Memory Of:
Jay Roth by Donna Roth and Family
WILSHIRE BOULEVARD TEMPLE CAMPS
In Loving Memory Of:
Milton Hoffman by Shari Tuchman
Lil Nathan by Vivian, Howard, Sara, Aaron and Josh Wasserfeld
RABBI ALFRED WOLF CAMP FUND
Matthew Burg
In Loving Memory Of:
Jerome I. Blatt by Marjorie Blatt
Esther Brandt by Lee and Gordon Gelfand
Beloved grandson, Joshua Gerson by Jeanne Gerson
Rabbi David Eshel on the occasion of our son, Michael Gillenbain’s Bar Mitzvah by Steven Gillenbain and Karen Hum
Rabbi David Eshel for officiating at the wedding of Sari and Jordan Silverberg at (424) 208-8930 or email dmagnin@wbta.org
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.

We appreciate your generous donations. An $18 minimum donation is required for each acknowledgment card.
CLAIRE WETSMAN  
December 7, 2013
Claire is the daughter of Carol and Adam Wetsman; the granddaughter of Jan and Bill Wetsman; Eleanor Wise.

Tikkun Olam Project: Claire, with her sister Sarah, spent many hours baking cookies and sold them in the park. All proceeds were donated to Cookies for Cancer, which researches cancer for children.

SARAH WETSMAN  
December 7, 2013
Sarah is the daughter of Carol and Adam Wetsman; the granddaughter of Jan and Bill Wetsman; Eleanor Wise.

Tikkun Olam Project: Sarah, with her sister Claire, spent many hours baking cookies and sold them in the park. All proceeds were donated to Cookies for Cancer, which researches cancer for children.

ETHAN GREENBERG  
December 7, 2013
Ethan is the son of Michelle and Daniel Greenberg; the grandson of Barbara and Bob Voss; Nancy and Ronnie Greenberg.

Tikkun Olam Project: Ethan is working with other students, youth and elder people to help them with technical difficulties and projects related to Mac products. This will in particular benefit Red Cross relief from natural disasters.

LILY ROSE BLOCK  
December 14, 2013
Lily Rose is the daughter of Julie and Stephen Block; the granddaughter of Tina Bennett; Sera and Joel Bennett; the late Janice and Benjamin Block.

Family Welcomers: Charlotte Emma Block and Ruby Jane Block, sisters.

Tikkun Olam Project: Lily Rose volunteers at the Gabriella Foundation’s Everybody Dance! program as an assistant teacher for pre-ballet students ages 4-7. This organization is affiliated with a charter performing-arts school as well as the Everybody Dance! after-school program, which teaches 218 weekly classes to more than 2,000 children ages 4-19 at six inner-city Los Angeles sites.

CAROLINE G. STEPHEN  
December 14, 2013
Caroline is the daughter of Elizabeth and Tim Stephen; the granddaughter of Susie and Michael Guber; the late Diane and Irv Bush.

Tikkun Olam Project: Caroline led workshops at the Boys and Girls Club of Burbank on the Power of Poetry for self-expression. Working with 12 students in each session, Caroline used imagination exercises and word games to help the group compose a poem collectively and then individually. The children were given poetry diaries to continue their writing.

ELIZABETH VIVIANNA DONZIS  
December 21, 2013
Elizabeth is the daughter of Robin and Paul Donzis; the granddaughter of Julia Donzis and the late Harold Donzis; Dr. Victor Silberman; Joan Tabb; and step-granddaughter of Stan Tabb.

Family Welcomers: Lauren Donzis, sister

Tikkun Olam Project: Elizabeth collected new and gently used toys and books from families in her neighborhood to donate to children in residence and in the community of Vista Del Mar for their holiday toy drive.
Happy Chanukah

from your

Wilshire Boulevard Temple
Family

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Welcome to new Temple members…


Condolences to…

Condolences to Deedee Dorskind on the death of her mother, Sue Dworskind … Janis Flax and Bruce Perelman on the death of her father, Harvey Flax … David and Cathy Fuhrer on the death of his father, David Fuhrer, and to grandchildren Daniel and Matthew … Annaliese Nathan on the death of her sister-in-law, Lisl Nathan … Aaron and Blair Kaplan on the death of his grandmother, Lea Serlin and to great grandchildren Blake, Daylin and Jaiden … Brian and Kirsten Shiren on the death of his mother, Goldie Shiren, and to grandchildren Ben and Zoe … Shellie Sigal on the death of her father, Erwin Sigal, and to granddaughter Molly Werner … Ron and Linda Slates on the death of his mother, Gerta Slates.

And to all immediate and extended family.
### Schedule of Shabbat Worship & Study

#### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6
- **Shabba Dabba Musical Service**  
  Rabbi Goldberg and special guests  
  **LA Philharmonic**  
  6:00 p.m.
- **Shabbat Service**  
  Rabbi Fox and Cantorial Intern Ettinger  
  6:00 p.m.
- **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7**
  - **Torah Study and Kaddish for Yahrzeit**  
    Genesis Vay'chi 47:28 - 50:26  
    Rabbi Goldberg  
    9:00 a.m.
  - **Tot Shabbat**  
    Rabbi Berns  
    9:30 a.m.
  - **Shabbat Services**  
    B’nai Mitzvah of Claire Wetsman and Sarah Wetsman  
    Rabbi Eshehl and Cantor Gurney  
    10:30 a.m.
  - **Bar Mitzvah of Ethan Greenberg**  
    Rabbi Fox and Cantorial Intern Ettinger  
    10:30 a.m.

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13
- **Shabbat Service**  
  Rabbi Leder and Cantorial Intern Ettinger  
  6:00 p.m.
- **Soul Sounds Shabbat**  
  Rabbi Fox, Cantor Gurney and Band  
  6:00 p.m.
- **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14**
  - **Torah Study and Kaddish for Yahrzeit**  
    Genesis Vay’chi 47:28 - 50:26  
    Avi Cohen  
    9:00 a.m.
  - **Tot Shabbat**  
    Rabbi Goldberg  
    9:30 a.m.
  - **Shabbat Services**  
    B’nai Mitzvah of Lily Rose Block and Caroline G. Stephen  
    Rabbi Leder and Cantor Gurney  
    10:30 a.m.
  - **No Service at Irmas Campus**

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20
- **Nefesh “Food for the Soul” Musical Service**  
  Rabbi Fox and Goldberg, Cantorial Intern Ettinger and special guests  
  6:00 p.m.
- **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21**
  - **Torah Study and Kaddish for Yahrzeit**  
    Exodus Shмот 1:1 - 6:1  
    Rabbi Fox  
    9:00 a.m.
  - **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28**
  - **Torah Study and Kaddish for Yahrzeit**  
    Exodus Va-eira 6:2 - 9:35  
    Rabbi Fox  
    9:00 a.m.
  - **No Service at Irmas Campus**

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27
- **Shabbat Services**  
  Rabbi Shapiro and Cantorial Intern Ettinger  
  6:00 p.m.
- **Shabbat Services**  
  Rabbi Goldberg  
  6:00 p.m.
- **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28**
  - **Torah Study and Kaddish for Yahrzeit**  
    Exodus Va-eira 6:2 - 9:35  
    Rabbi Fox  
    9:00 a.m.
  - **No Service at Irmas Campus**