As I now enter the last few months of my Temple presidency, I sincerely thank the entire congregation for entrusting me with an experience that has been extraordinarily rewarding. I accepted the position because I thought I could make a significant difference for our Temple community. While the jury is still out, I hope, and frankly believe, that I have.

My primary goal when I became Temple president was to commence the process for a ten-year strategic plan involving all aspects of our Temple community. I am proud to say that the Temple is in that process, and we intend to reach out to many of you to assist in formulating the best strategic plan to meet all aspects of our congregants’ needs for the foreseeable future. I also wanted to be in the forefront of the Building Lives Campaign when it broke ground to restore and advance the Temple Campus. Not only has ground been broken, but also, among other achievements, our new nursery and elementary schools are thriving there.

How did I end up so involved in our Temple? I assure you, not by design. Eleven years ago this past January, my beautiful wife Dana and I wanted to find a rabbi who could lead us through our life cycle events (first, our marriage). After our first meeting with Rabbi Leder, we knew we found our religious home. However, with the Temple’s 2,300 families, I believed I could go about my business and not be noticed or called upon to volunteer.

Boy, did I miscalculate. In 2004 our two-year old son Jonathan entered the Mann Family Early Childhood Center and I was asked to join a ten-person leadership group. Since then both our children have completed the nursery school, and are enrolled at Brawerman. I cannot imagine our children attending a better nursery or elementary school anywhere. Also, in just this past year, my now nine-year old son attended Camp Hess Kramer where he will tell you he had a terrific experience.

I would encourage each of you who have not previously become involved in some aspect of the Temple, to find something that you can help volunteer for, so that you too can experience, as I have, the rewards of being a part of our Temple community.

My sincerest thanks again.

Rich Pachulski,
President, Board of Trustees

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Save these dates

**BIG SUNDAY**
Sunday, May 6
Temple and Imas Campuses
9:00 a.m.

**GOLF CLASSIC**
Monday, May 7
El Caballero Country Club
10:30 a.m.

**Pier Family Funraiser**
Thursday, May 17
Santa Monica Pier
4:30 p.m.
Your people will be my People and your God will be my God

_Standing at Sinai with Ruth (Ruth 1:16)_

The moment we finish our first bite of matzah, we start counting the days to the holiday of Shavuot with the Counting of the Omer. Shavuot takes place seven weeks following Pesach, and it marks the time in the Jewish calendar when we celebrate the receiving of the Ten Commandments at Mount Sinai.

Regardless of whether or not you believe “Sinai” to be a factual occurrence, Shavuot can be a time of connecting to and reflecting upon Jewish laws and our beloved Jewish customs. Shavuot is regarded as the betrothal of God and the Children of Israel, and as such, we celebrate our anniversary by reading Torah all night, eating dairy foods and standing together as a people—just as we stood together at the foot of Mount Sinai.

When we read the Book of Ruth on Shavuot, we learn about the courage of one woman who chose Judaism. Ruth acts as the model for all converts when she says to her mother-in-law, “Your people will be my people and your God will be my God.” Ruth reminds us that our celebrations take place not in isolation, but with other people, and it is through our human connections that we come to connect with God.

As we stand together at the foot of Sinai this year, may we find inspiration in the words of Ruth to make the most of our human connections, and, in doing so, become closer to God.

—_Rabbi Elissa Ben-Naim_

Our Members’ Honors Bring Honor to our Congregation

I often say that, “All roads lead to Wilshire Boulevard Temple.” What I mean by that is that our members are involved in an almost unimaginable number of important business, cultural, civic and philanthropic endeavors, not only in Los Angeles, but also in Israel and all over the world. Often our members’ involvement leads to them being honored by important organizations. If you or an immediate family member is being honored by an organization that is making the world a better place, we want to know about it and let our Temple community know about it too. All you need to do is email mcurtis@wbtl.org a brief announcement of the honor of no more than 400 characters. We will then periodically publish the list of Temple members in the bulletin who are being honored for their many good works. Our members’ devotion to the larger community is something we can all be proud of.

—_Rabbi Steve Leder_

Send your announcements to Mike Curtis, mcurtis@wbtl.org
Imagine LA Update

We are moving forward constructively with the family we have been chosen to mentor through the Imagine LA program. “Our” family has been assigned individual mentors for both adults. One mentor works with Tristan—a college student aspiring to a professional career in pharmacy—with her course selection and planning; the other is helping her partner Denny—who works as an auto mechanic—develop a resume to try to find a better job and guide him through the interview process.

The couple, in their early twenties and with a two-year-old child, has also been assigned a budget mentor. The mentor will help them set up a proper budgeting system, and meet with them regularly over the next two years to support and guide its implementation.

The family is living under the same roof for the first time, in assisted housing. They are excited and grateful to be working with us in furtherance of their deeply felt goals to live in mainstream society productively and responsibly.

Those of us working with them—Toni Shulman and I as Co-Leads for our team, as well as the individual mentors—feel privileged, moved and inspired by the opportunity to make a meaningful difference in our “adopted” family’s lives. And we will continue to be part of the support system that will strengthen and support them as they move forward.

The family is currently in need of a calculus tutor for Mom. If you would like to help or know someone who might, please contact Denise Magilnick in Rabbi Shapiro’s office.

We will continue to report progress to you, and may even approach you for additional help as we need it. Stay tuned!

Bob Wunsch
Imagine LA Co-Lead

Contact Denise Magilnick
damagilnick@wbtla.org • (424) 208-8930

Our Hidden Melodies

We sing around the table, around the campfire, during Shabbat and holiday services. We sing blessings instead of reciting them; we chant Torah instead of reading it. There are few places in Judaism that have not been touched by song. Sacred music is an integral part of our tradition and connects us to our history, our community and our own souls.

The first song we ever sang was The Song of the Sea, after the Israelites escaped Pharaoh’s charioteers and crossed the Sea of Reeds. There, on the shore, men and women sang and danced for joy, celebrating liberation and redemption. Equally beloved is the Book of Psalms, a magnificent collection of hymns of praise and supplication, attributed to King David who himself was a skilled musician and singer. Some of those psalms were later included in religious ceremonies at the Holy Temple in Jerusalem, where no less than 24 choral groups raised their voices in song, accompanied by musicians on more than a dozen different types of instruments.

The great mystic and Hasidic master Rabbi Nachman of Breslov believed that the most direct means for connecting to God was through music and song. He taught that every soul had its own melody before making the descent into this world. Physical existence covers up this original song with many layers of noise. The quest for self-understanding and closeness to the Divine involves searching the world for our own hidden melody. Once discovered, this melody will give us new life and send joy into our souls.

In the spirit of Rabbi Nachman, please join us for a very special outdoor Shabbat service: Holy-wood Bowl Soul Sounds Shabbat—dinner and camp-style folk music under the stars, June 1 at the Irmas Campus; picnic dinner and food trucks at 6 p.m. and service at 7 p.m. Purchase a delicious meal from a gourmet food truck, or bring a picnic dinner and settle in to an enchanted evening. Visit www.wbtla.org for more information.

Susan Nanus, Director of Adult Programs
“Prithhee, remember I have done thee worthy service, told thee no lies, made no mistakes, served without or grudge or grumblings.” – The Tempest by William Shakespeare

Like the main character, Prospero, Brawerman sixth graders provided a magical experience as they acted, sang, danced, played instruments and charmed the audience in a specially designed production of The Tempest by William Shakespeare. Teachers Lee Tenerowicz, Marcia Weiss and assistant teacher Nate Bankirer worked tirelessly to write, direct and produce this student-friendly version of the original classic. Included was a verbal joust between Shakespeare and playwright Robert Greene and a video infomercial for Shakespearean curses. The Marcia Israel Chapel was packed for four outstanding performances. During a Q and A following one performance, a Brawerman East kindergartner remarked “This was the best play I ever saw!” Five stars for the grade six thespians and their great teachers.

Whether rock climbing with our teen led youth group, or a Sunday morning hangout session at Beit Midrash at the Temple; classroom lessons lead by our Ozrim on Sunday mornings at Irma's, or joining together for dinner and a lively limud on Courage and Torah at Wednesday Night Program; the Wilshire Boulevard Temple teen community has an energy and spirit that is truly dynamic and inspiring.

Through teen led programs by the youth group leadership, and with the guidance of our staff at both campuses, we are creating fun and meaningful experiences for our teens that build confidence, a strong sense of self and a desire to take part in a unique and energetic Jewish community. If you are interested in your eighth to twelfth grader having a deeper connection with Wilshire Boulevard Temple, please email me and we can begin a conversation on the best way to start!

Herschel Bleefeld
Teen Programs

Email Herschel Bleefeld, hbleefeld@wbtlag.org
For more information on our Teen Programs, visit www.wbtlag.org/pages/teen
Passover in the Cave of Darkness

A small group of students from the Harim class huddled together to discuss Pesach in the Cave of Darkness—a Passover seder in the dark to represent the experience of our ancestors. The students each threw out ideas to transform their whole classroom: “We should try to make it all dark.” “We could use little candles like we have in the library or even our glow-in-the-dark stars to give us light.”

The group grew excited. In considering the plague of darkness, Owen wondered if the Israelites had the moon to help them see, and Talia thought of the stars. Soon, they decided they would project a constellation of stars depicting the story of Passover using the overhead, remembering that God told Abraham that the Israelites would be as numerous as the stars in the sky.

Just as the Harim friends had planned, they created an innovative and joyous Passover seder in the dark. The children transformed their whole classroom into a Cave of Darkness, joined by their parents who shared in the festivities. Just before participants lit the candles, Ashton helped to turn out the lights while flashlights were distributed so everyone could see their Haggadot. During the seder, the Harim friends enjoyed dipping parsley in salt water, tasting charoset and horseradish and singing songs with Rabbi Shapiro. As parents helped to tell the story of Passover, they watched as the children’s glowing constellations were projected on the wall in front of them. It was a special moment—the students’ ideas and creativity truly coming together.

This sentiment, along with many others, is being heard as we record an oral history of our Wilshire Boulevard Temple Camps in celebration of their 60th anniversary. Beginning with recollections from our Rabbis and Camp administrators, now alumni, parents, grandparents and campers are sitting down, one-on-one, to talk about what camp means to them. Participants are joyfully and thoughtfully reflecting on the impact of their time at Camp Hess Kramer and/or Gindling Hilltop Camp. These assembled recordings will be an invaluable gift to our camps as we move forward into the next 60 years and beyond.

Our Evening Celebration, recently held at the home of Stacy and Alberto Valner, raised $103,000 to create the 60th Anniversary Endowed Scholarship Fund for our camps. Chaired by Beth Pollock Goren and Janet Greenberg Kupchick, 190 alumni and friends enjoyed reconnecting and reminiscing with each other, and feasted on a wonderful dinner catered by Lucques.

Camp alums (and siblings) Julie Mayerson Brown and Matt Mayerson are chairing a huge celebration at both Camp Hess Kramer and Gindling Hilltop Camp on June 10. The day at camp will include a myriad of camp activities, barbecue, song session, Israeli dancing and—a particular highlight—a recommitment ceremony officiated by Rabbi David Eshel and camp alum Rabbi Don Goor, for more than 30 camp couples.

In addition to the celebration events and oral history project, a compilation of 19 songs spanning 60 years of camp music has been recorded by camp song leaders past and present. More about this in an upcoming article!

Cheri Lauterbach
Camp Alumni & Development Director

To join in the Camp festivities, visit www.wbtcamps.org/anniversary.asp
Ten years ago, while in the Sanctuary balcony, Cantor Don Gurney discovered “white putty” on the floor and chairs, apparently having drifted down from the ceiling. The discovery set in motion one of the most significant and ambitious redevelopment projects in American Jewish history.

The interior and exterior of the Sanctuary dome have long suffered from water damage that has caused the coffered plaster ceiling to “effloresce,” i.e., shed a powdery white residue that falls like snow. Years of deterioration have been significant and easily observable. In the fall of 2008, a heavy piece of plaster fell from the ceiling, causing the Sanctuary to be closed for several months while a fabric netting spanning the base of the dome was installed for safety purposes.

Today, the fabric netting has been replaced by scaffolding. Lots of it. And seventy feet up, we’ve built what we’re calling the “dance floor”—a deck, which is the base for additional scaffolding, so our workers can access the highest reaches of the inner dome in order to repair it. Initial vacuuming—the first task in restoration—has just begun. We’re cleaning off years of dust to see the precise condition of material we’re going to repair. Next, we will “document the dome,” with photos and drawings prepared by our conservators. This is not your average clean up, so we’ve hired specialized subcontractors based in New York City experienced with this type of work.

Extremely important is the “mock up,” a small section of the ceiling to be restored in full and lit with the lighting simulating the Sanctuary upon completion. The mock up will serve as the model for the rest of the work. Conservators and historians will look at the plaster, infill and molding of the mock up to determine whether it is acceptable. We’ve done this throughout the Sanctuary, for example, with the seating, cushions, wooden arms and backs and hardware for the pews.

A five-pew mock up was recently approved and will sit along side our contractors as they repair the rest of the 1800 seats.

Before beginning work on the coffered plaster, and with the scaffolding extended to the highest levels of the dome, we took advantage of the opportunity to make seismic upgrades to the interstitial space (or gap) between the interior dome and the outside concrete. The ceiling you see from the inside actually suspends from the concrete dome by wire fasteners.

We’ve added additional fasteners at an angle that reinforces the seismic ties. Now, after the coffered ceiling mock up is inspected and approved, repairs on the ceiling will commence. After the ceiling is repaired and cleaned over the next several months, the scaffolding will be used to clean and repair the sidewalls of the Sanctuary and finally the Ballin Murals and fine wood paneling. We look forward to documenting for you every step of this historic process leading to the Sanctuary’s grand reopening in September of 2013.

Please call Karen Schetina or Bruce Berman at (213) 835-2165 if you would like more information about our restoration project.
Upcoming Events

COFFEE WITH CAROL
May 1 and 23, 2012 9:30 a.m.
May 2 and 24, 2012 9:30 a.m.
Carol Bovill, Director of Wilshire Boulevard Temple’s Early Childhood Centers, offers expert parenting advice to guide and empower you on your parenting journey.
Heidi Overturf, hoverturf@wbtla.org, (213) 835-2158
Debbie Sterling, dsterling@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8900
www.wbtla.org/events/item/270/youth_events

THE WILSHIREREADERS
Thursday, May 3, 2012 7:00 p.m.
Join enthusiastic readers in a yearlong journey as we explore universal themes through the minds of acclaimed Jewish authors. This month’s book is The Zookeeper’s Wife by Diana Ackerman.
Phil Wallace, pwallace@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8932
www.wbtla.org/events/item/271/adult_events

FAMILY CAMP
Friday, May 4 - 6, 2012
Camp Hess Kramer, Malibu, CA
Join the full camp staff for a Family Camp weekend! Family Camp is a wonderful way to experience a unique Shabbat with your family.
Janine Regal, janine@wbtcamps.org, (213) 835-2128
www.wbtla.org/events/item/294/youth_events

BIG SUNDAY
Sunday, May 6, 2012 9:00 a.m.
Join with members of our community in a day of inspirational g’milut chasadim (acts of loving kindness) as we build community through service to others.
Denise Magilnick, dmagilnick@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8930
www.wbtla.org/events/item/295/tikkun_events

9TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC HONORING SUSAN ADLER JANNOL AND MARTY JANNOL
Monday, May 7, 2012
El Caballero Country Club, 10:30 a.m.
Join us for a day of great golf, great food and great prizes in support of a wonderful cause.
Cheri Lauterbach, cheri@wbtcamps.org, (213) 835-2135
www.wbtla.org/events/item/299/youth_events

SANTA MONICA PIER ‘FUN-RAISER’
Thursday, May 17, 2012
Santa Monica Pier, 4:30 p.m.
Brawerman Elementary School and the Early Childhood Centers will hold their annual Santa Monica Pier Family Funraiser at Pacific Park. Profits support the programs and scholarship fund of our schools. We welcome all Temple members.
Autumn Luscinski, aluscinski@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8934
www.wbtla.org/events/item/296/youth_events

MEN OF WILSHIRE: DELI CRAWL
Sunday, May 20, 2012
Los Angeles, 10:00 a.m.
Learn about Jewish LA through pastrami! We’ll explore the movement of Jews from east to west and back to east.
Denise Magilnick, dmagilnick@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8930
www.wbtla.org/events/item/479/adult_events

SHAVUOT, ACCEPTING THE TORAH WITH OPEN ARMS
Holiday Programming for Brawerman West
Thursday, May 24 8:10 - 9:15 a.m.
Confirmation
Sunday, May 27 7:00 p.m.
Yizkor Shavuot Memorial Service
Monday, May 28 9:00 a.m.
www.wbtla.org/events/item/372/worship_events

SHABBAT ON THE FLY WITH RABBI LEBER
August 9-12, 2012
Lodge at Palisades Creek, Idaho
We are going to take over the Lodge at Palisades Creek from August 9-12, 2012 for three days of fishing, with a little Torah and Shabbat thrown in for good measure and good luck.
Nan Brostoff, nan@wbtla.org, (213) 835-2121
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- Imaas Campus
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- Service time different than usual - please check online
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Pauline Adelman by Gail and Joseph Lowenstein
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Jackie Levy Fufman by James Fufman
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Loving brother, Alfred Hyman by Janice & Arthur Gerry
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Jennie Rosenfarb by Mr. & Mrs. Donald Berks
Julio Rosenthal by David Rosenthal
Paula Rosenzwieg by Richard Bock and Helene Rosenzwieg
Pnnet Rosenzwieg by Richard Bock and Helene Rosenzwieg
Uncle Ernie Sachs by Dr. and Dr. Gary Schiller
Ruth Savin by Math Savin
Neenah Schwartz by Salli & Bernard Harris
Ruth Schwartz by Blaire & Aaron Kaplan
Jose Schwartz by Robert Schwartz
Albert Serly by Blaire & Aaron Kaplan
Wally Sloan by Nancy & Norman Sloan
Gertrude Stoller by Joy & Ann Stoller
Jacob Straussman by Sheryl Fleischer
Cecile "Cesia" Ullman by Howard Ullman Epstein & Family
Robert Velazie by Jean-Louis Velazie
Benno Weimer by Trudi Weimer Epstein & Family
Alan Weinberger by Jean Hudson
Rose Westinman by Bradley Mindlin

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Tiny Family Foundation
In Loving Memory Of:
Brenda Cane by Harker & Alan Gamser
Philip Ginsburg and Lillian Ginsburg by Rochelle & Eli Ginsburg
Evan Gottlieb by Rochelle & Eli Ginsburg
William Helfer by Lyn Helfer
Moran Kaplan by Edith & Joseph Fischer
Fay Kozberg by Peggy & M. Thomas Redler
Lynette Kurtzman by Rochelle & Eli Ginsburg
Lynette Kurtzman by Janet & David Lonner
Cecile Levy by Matthew Levy and Stacy Marble
Cecile Levy by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Levy
Saul Lonner by Janet & David Lonner
Lena Swartz by Lyn Helfer

CLERGY FUND
In Honor Of:
Rabbi Steve Leder by Mr. and Mrs. Adam Feldman
Rabbi Leder and Cantor Gurney for officiating at the naming of our granddaughter, Leah Berger by Ann Lave & Bernd Gimm
Rabbi Shapiro for my Birthday Blessing by Richard Friend
Rabbi Shapiro for officiating at the service of our mother and grandmother, Sylvia Taylor by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fabrick
Rabbi Karen Fox for officiating at the service of Ruth Gaynes by Victor Beasldash & Family

In Loving Memory Of:
Ellis Berkowitz by Kenneth Berkowitz
Gladyls Ginsberg by Bette & Abbie Feldman
Lola Jameson by Jameson Family
Louis and Fay Kozberg by Mrs. and Mr. Gale Boonstra

SISTERHOOD PULPIT FLOWER FUND
In Loving Memory Of:
Hyman Hoffman by Andrea, Steven, Chloe & Matthew Gardner

ANN AND SAM BERNESTIN CHILDREN'S LIBRARY
In Honor Of:
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Jeanne Gerson's Birthday by Linda & Mike Roberts
Rabbi Steve Leder by Sylvia & David Dana

FOOD PANTIES FUND
In Loving Memory Of:
Evelyn Black by Bevsee Ginsburg by Joyce & Robert Wolf
Philip Brehmert by Jared, Sydney, Jordan and Samantha Breuer
Harold Chobert by Marlene & Bruce Lanson
Emma Dickenson by Dee Browning-Blok
Warren Dickenson by Dee Browning-Blok
Dear grandchild, Mitchell Dresser by Florence Kuhin
Beloved mother and grandmother, Bess Epstein by Lucille Epstein & Family
George Epstein by Martin Brown & Family
Beloved husband, George Epstein by Lucille Epstein
Dear father, George Epstein by Margaret Epstein
Wally Eacove by Judith Eacove
Raymond Fine by Muriel Fine Sherman
Patricia Gile by David Gile
Alvin Garlpet by Jerry Gottlieb
Sophia Gray Goldman by Ann Rubin
Evan Gottlieb by Marjorie Blatt
Beloved mother and grandmother, Sophia Gray Goldman by Suzanne Rubin Epstein & Family
Lola Jameson by Marian Brown & Family
Jean Jones & Baint Jones by Jeffrey Mandell and Abigail Jones
Anna Klein by Dr. and Mrs. Mayu Mark
Freda Kusich by Esther Kusich
Betty Levy by Shirley Hoffman
Nicolous Libin by Pamela & Mark Michel
Rosanna Michel by Pamela & Mark Michel
Beloved husband and father, Raymond Norton by Rita & Mary Norton
Bons Porter by Jack, Myra, Jeffrey, Brooke & Andover Porter
Barbara Rothchild by Coyne Schuster
Dear sister, Josephine Samuel by Marian Brown
Cherished sister, Josephine Samuel by Howard Ullman Epstein & Family
My sister, Josephine Samuel by Gertrude Kline

TIKKUN OLAM SOCIAL ACTION FUND
In Honor Of:
Rabbi Shapiro for officiating at the funeral of Rons Baily by Barbara & Norman Black

In Loving Memory Of:
Edward Fenton by Caron, Richard, Dana & Laura Sheekster
Ruth Gaynes by Coldwater Canyon Elementary Faculty and Staff
Ena Beck Loeve by Myra & Alan Gabbay

PRAYER BOOK DEDICATION FUND
In Honor Of:
izaq Fogelman by Judi & Alan Fogelman

MANN FAMILY EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER
In Loving Memory Of:
Morris Lachman by Lachman Family Trust
Richard Carl Levy by Rochelle, Jacob & Samuel Glucksman

GERI AND RICHARD BRAWERMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
In Honor Of:
Rabbi Elissa Ben-Naim for officiating at the naming of Noa Laine by Marina & Ari Laine
Alexandra Babbush's Bat Mitzvah by Harriet & Sheldon Markman

In Loving Memory Of:
Mimette Landom by Francine Peterman
Arthur Lusser by Bill Stoven
Neil Markman by Lizzie & Gil Hara

ANNE AND NATHAN SPILBERG ANNUAL LECTURE ON JEWISH LIFE
In Honor Of:
Bar Kogan on a speedy recovery by Susan & Bruce Levin

In Loving Memory Of:
Ida Sosnow by Susan & Bruce Levin
Nathan Spilberg by Claudia & Brandon Levin

RABBFI HARVEY J. FIELDS EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND
In Honor Of:
Stan Rabin's Special Birthday by Marshall Zolla
Ryan Bob's Bar Mitzvah by Mr. and Mrs. Gary Bob

In Loving Memory Of:
Sam Bluestone by Dr. and Mrs. David Bluestone
Jeffrey Bobb by Mr. and Mrs. Gary Bob
Deceased mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Sarah London by Vera & Steven Mark
Our devoted mother, Lillian Mark by Vera & Steven Mark, grandchildren and great grandchildren
Jay Small by Donna & Jay Roth
Devryle Weis by Saredl Rikind

ANAT BEN-ISHAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND
In Honor Of:
Linda Brown's Birthday by Allison & Byron Mold

In Loving Memory Of:
Brenda Cane by The Mold Family

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B’nei Mitzvah

TESS ABIGAIL HABER
May 5, 2012
Tess is the daughter of Debbie and Ken Haber; the granddaughter of Sandra and Jay Weiss; Elaine Haber and the late Josh Haber.
Family Welcome: Sophia Haber, sister
Tikkun Olam Project: Tess made and donated thirteen blankets to The Painted Turtle, a camp for children with life threatening illnesses. Each camper gets a blanket to take home.

ADAM RICH
May 5, 2012
Adam is a graduate of Brawerman Elementary School. Adam is the son of Lara and John Rich; the grandson of Edith and Herb Fishler; Genevieve and Michael Borushok; Martin Rich and the late Barbara Rich.
Family Welcome: Nicole Rich
Tikkun Olam Project: For the last four years, Adam has volunteered at the Ocean Park Community Center, packing and serving lunches to the homeless. He also participated in the restoration of the Ballona Wetlands.

ZAKARY ARON WEINBERG
May 12, 2012
Zakary is the son of Joni and Steve Weinberg; the grandson of Beverly Graboff; Roy Graboff, Claire and Alvin Weinberg.
Tikkun Olam Project: Zak is donating a percentage of his Bar Mitzvah money to Mazon and making food baskets to give to the Food Pantry.

LAUREN GENENDER
May 12, 2012
Lauren is the daughter of Ellen and Mark Genender; the granddaughter of Roselyn and Stanley Pappelbaum; Joan and Lawrence Genender.
Family Welcome: Sophia Genender, sister; Michael Genender, brother
Tikkun Olam Project: Lauren donates her time and effort to a cause that focuses on providing arts to LA’s most at-risk youth at Inner-City Arts campus on Skid Row in downtown L.A. Their programming works with children in dance, art, animation, music and theater. In addition to spending time in the classroom with the children, Lauren donated art supplies, gently-used books and project ideas.

LENA KIM SHAPIRO
May 19, 2012
Lena is the daughter of Ouray and Max Shapiro; the granddaughter of Lillian Shapiro and the late Herbert Shapiro; Seamy Lim and Smuk Chhiap.
Family Welcome: Martin Shapiro and Milton Shapiro, brothers; Leah Shapiro, sister
Tikkun Olam Project: Lena performs at concerts for skilled nursing facilities and senior housing. She plays her oboe with the Community Service Chamber Music Club of Beverly Hills High School.

KATHERINE NICOLE BRUSSELL
May 19, 2012
Katie is the daughter of Mary and Dan Brussell; the granddaughter of Enid and Martin Reiser; Eleanor Brussell and the late Eugene Brussell.
Family Welcome: Robbie Brussell and Matthew Brussell, brothers
Tikkun Olam Project: Katie volunteered at Westside Children’s Center, Book in a Bag program. As a “buddy” to a preschool child, each week she read stories and played games with her “buddies”.

SAM SELBY DINERSTEIN
May 26, 2012
Sam is the son of Alison and David Dinerstein; the grandson of Barbara and Fred Dinerstein; Margery Schab and the late James Winer.
Family Welcome: Zoe Dinerstein
Tikkun Olam Project: Sam volunteered at Wilshire Boulevard Temple Food Pantries. He helped organize, pack bags and hand the food out to people less fortunate.

OLIVIA ALESSANDRA BENUN
May 26, 2012
Olivia is the daughter of Gail O’Byrne and John Benun; the granddaughter of Sue Rosen and the late Charles Rosen; Laurette Robbins; Nace and Cheryl Benun.
Family Welcome: Nicole Benun, sister
Tikkun Olam Project: Olivia is collecting gently used pet and animal supplies to donate to The Lange Foundation Animal Shelter. These supplies will be used to help give the animals a more comfortable, healthy life and temporary home.

MATTHEW CLARK SHANUS
May 26, 2012
Matthew is the son of Michele and Stuart Shanus; the grandson of Judith and Richard Smooke; Sharon and Alvin Shanus.
Family Welcome: Zachary Shanus, brother
Tikkun Olam Project: Matthew volunteered for The Tree People, working with this organization planting and caring for trees with the purpose of community involvement.

Mazal Tov to Dan Ziskin, on becoming an Adult Bar Mitzvah on May 12, at the Experience Shabbat! Minyan!
Welcome to new Temple members...

Dr. Alejandro Covalin and Tanya Mizrahi-Covalin and their children, Ariella, Daniel and Gabriel...Greg Dawley and Erica Broido and daughter, Jemma...Jerome and Jacki Eisenberg and their children, Maxwell and Jade...Hooman and Deboura Emanuel and their children, Doran and Delila...Gillian and Adam Feldman and son, Leo...Rachel Fleischer...Katelyn Rader...Evan and Jennifer Richter...Daniel and Maria Sussman and their children, Leo and Asher...Benjamin and Dara Weeden and their daughter, Olivia...Evelyn Weiskopf and daughters, Lauren and Rachel...

Congratulations to...

Ann and Bernd Givon on the naming of their granddaughter, Leah Erin Berger...Andrea and Philip Covitz on the birth of their son, Henry Francis Covitz and to grandparents, Aviva and Carl Covitz...Jill Werner on the birth of her grandson, Benjamin William Haney...Stephanie and Jeremy Heisler on the birth of their son, Jacob Hudson Heisler and to grandparents, Pam and Trey Heisler...Cortney and Mark Lawson on the birth of their daughter, Everly Rose Lawson...Casey and Jordan Tabach Bank on the birth of their children, Lenti Jean Tabach Bank and to big brother, Jagger and to grandfather, Brad Tabach Bank...Fredda and Avrum Loewenstein on the birth of their granddaughter, Edden Chai Potok...

Condolences to...

Lawrence Bender on the death of his aunt, Esther Bender...Karen and Richard Ormond on the death of their grandmother, Lelia Berezovsky and to great grandson, Andrew...Harriet Epport on the death of her husband Victor Epport, and to daughters, Denise, Teri, Karen and grandson Josh Epport...Ken and Karen Fields on the death of their father, Max Fields and grandchildren Julia and Spencer...Robert and Shari Friedman on the death of his mother, Sonia Friedman and grandchildren, Brooke, Jolie, Taylor and Lane...Friends and family of Ruth Gaynes...Friends and family of Shirley Greer-Figoten...Nancy and Steve Levine on the death of her cousin, Marilyn Berg, and her mother, Dorothy Levin and to granddaughters Amy and Andi Levine...Natalie Rosenthal on the death of her husband, Martin Rosenthal...Sid Schalman on the death of his wife Shirley Schalman and to daughter Carla and Sandy Friedman and their sons Ethan and Seth...Jay and Jenny Sonbolian on the death of his mother, Laurie Sonbolian and grandchildren, Eva and Noah...

And to all immediate and extended family.
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