In times gone by, many of us have proposed to our girlfriend or have been proposed to. When Joan, my wife for 55 years, and I became engaged, we visited Rabbi Magnin and told him of our plans to be married. Rabbi Magnin didn’t skip a beat, and did the most logical thing he could. He pulled out his pocket calendar, little and black, and said the 18th of August would be fine. “It’s a Sunday. We could make it noontime. How would that be?”

We said it would be fine, and added that Joan’s birthday was on the 16th, so it would be a double celebration. Happily we had a small wedding consisting of only family members. We were brought to the bimah, which rose above the rows of pews like a stage in a grand theater, and stood in front of the ark with the doors open to have the Torahs in front of us. You have to believe that when you are standing at the ark, in front of Rabbi Magnin and Rabbi Dubin, who we also requested participate, it is and was meaningful—certainly my most profound Jewish moment.

We were only a few people standing on the vast bimah with the whole Sanctuary empty. As it was noontime, sunlight streamed through the Rose Window directly behind us, enveloping us in warmth. You can rest assured that the two young people standing there on that holy stage got the message—we were two Jewish kids being married for life.

One thing I did not know during the marriage ceremony was that Joan had earlier changed upstairs, and as she walked down the stairs she almost tripped and took a nasty fall. So she came to the bimah a bit shaky. I did sense something, but all went well. We were husband and wife, the profundity of the moment overpowering any near-stumbles, and it has lasted ever since, extending into the lives of our children David and Craig, and grandchildren Ronnie, Danny and Tommy.

Arnold Seidel
Congregant

“My Most Profound Jewish Moment” is a cover series by Wilshire Boulevard Temple congregants and staff.
Meeting at the Hilltop

All families have problems and challenges, anger and joy, old grievances and new opportunities for love. This month’s series of Torah portions is about just that. Abraham nearly sacrifices his son Isaac, Rebecca pits one child against another, Jacob deceives his brother Esau and it takes 20 years for them to reconcile. As we ponder this month’s Torah portion and gather around the table this Thanksgiving with our own flawed families, here is a story worth remembering:

One brother lived with his wife and children on one side of a hill, and the other, unmarried, lived in a small hut on the other side of the hill. At harvest time the married brother thought to himself:

“God has been so good to me. I have a family and more crops than I need. I am so much better off than my brother, who is alone. Tonight, while he sleeps, I will carry some of my sheaves to his field. When he finds them tomorrow he’ll never suspect they came from me.”

On the other side of the hill, the unmarried brother looked at his harvest and thought to himself:

“God has been kind to me but not quite so to my brother. He must feed his wife and children, yet I have as much fruit and grain as he does. Tonight, while he and his family sleep, I will place some of my sheaves in his field. When he finds them, he will never know that I have less and he has more.”

Each brother waited until midnight, then loaded his grain on his shoulders and walked toward the top of the hill. Exactly at midnight, they met at the hilltop. Realizing that each had thought only of helping the other, they embraced and cried with joy.

These brothers saw beyond their own lives. They appreciated and cared about the other’s struggle, embracing their differences with generosity and love. So may it be for us all. Happy Thanksgiving...

—Rabbi Steve Leder

Camps Get an Online Facelift

Wilshire Boulevard Temple Camps’ vibrant new website, www.wbtcamps.org, finally reflects the vitality of our camps. If you haven’t seen it yet, it’s time. We just went live. Find events, read news, download forms, view photos and get connected to Camp. Watch our video, get inspired, nostalgic and sign up to stay involved as an alumnus. Want to ensure our camps remain the greatest summer experience for Jewish youth anywhere? Now you can make a donation online.

Our camps are steeped in tradition, rooted in Jewish values and in the hearts of thousands of campers and alumni; but they are also modern, fresh and forward looking, with a website that can now serve the interests of past, present and future campers better than ever.

BONUS! We also revamped our camp brochure this year. Look for it in the mail if you have campers in your family.
Bringing Health and Hope to Thousands

It’s just after 6:00 a.m. as I pull into the parking lot at the Los Angeles Memorial Sports Arena. The inconvenience of “Carmageddon” and triathlon-related street closures made my trip across town challenging, but didn’t keep the patients away—thousands of them already lined up in the predawn hours, snaking around the building like a garden hose. They’ve descended on the Sports Arena for the Care Harbor Free Health Clinic.

The Sunday after Yom Kippur, nearly 75 of our Temple members gave time and talent to save lives. Makeshift exam rooms and 100 dental chairs covered the ground floor, many of them staffed our own Wilshire Boulevard Temple medical and dental professionals. Like many of our general volunteers, I spent much of the day escorting patients from the check-in area to the medical, dental or vision clinics. In the space of 150 yards they shared their stories with me.

“I was here at 1:00 a.m. last week to get a wristband and there were already 500 people in front of me in line,” an elderly woman tells me. “But it was worth it! My eyes have been blurry for years and I could never get them checked out.”

“Thank you for what you all are doing,” a middle-aged man tells me as we make our way toward the dental clinic. “This is the first time I’ve been to the dentist in 15 years. I tried to get here last year but I was too late.”

I only spent a few brief moments with the patients as I escorted them to their destination, but in those short interactions, I came to understand that what we were doing was changing their lives, and in many cases, saving their lives. On behalf of the thousands of patients who we helped, thank you for showing up and for making such a profound impact in the lives of so many.

Rabbi M. Beaumont Shapiro

A Very Old Tradition

In 1537 C.E., Henry VIII of England signed into law the right of the common people to read the Bible in translation and in their own homes. Before that, it was forbidden to even possess a Bible because it was considered the property of the church and the clergy, and to be read in Latin only. People were not allowed to learn or even question their religion. If they dared to do so, they were burned at the stake.

Contrast this to 458 B.C.E., when the priestly scribe Ezra stood before the Jewish population of Judea—many of them newly returned from exile in Babylon—and read the entire Torah to them in a public ceremony. Not only that, to make sure the Torah was comprehensible, he had it explained in great detail.

Two thousand years before England, a new Jewish practice established our commitment to study and become educated. In fact, it goes further than that. We are commanded to learn, as well as “to teach our children diligently.” We are exhorted to become thinkers and questioners, to seek wisdom and understanding.

The Talmud says, “Find yourself a teacher and get yourself a friend.” We are offering both at our myriad of classes, lectures, films and special events. Listen to a political expert on Israel from UCLA, a professor of Jewish film from USC or one of our own very knowledgeable rabbis on Torah and Jewish history. It’s a tradition dating back 2470 years.

Susan Nanus
Director of Adult Programs

Join us November 14, 12:30 p.m. at the Irmas Campus for Israel Institute: A Daytime Speaker Series discussing “Secular vs. Religious: the Biggest Social Problem in Israel”
“The Israelis are coming!” The excitement generated by these four words were felt around Brawerman Elementary School for weeks as we anticipated the arrival of the student delegation from David Yellin School, our twinning school in Tel Aviv. As part of the Los Angeles/Tel Aviv Partnership Program sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Los Angeles, our connection to Israel thrives.

Sixteen Israeli sixth graders and three of their faculty members finally met their Brawerman buddies in person on October 4th. They joined together for a 12-day schedule that included a Shabbaton at camp, learning together in class, seeing the sights of Los Angeles, a day at the Temple Campus, social gatherings and just hanging out.

While the departure was a little tearful and touched us all, we did not say good-bye to our new friends. We said, “L’hitrot—see you soon,” knowing that when April comes we will reciprocate, as Brawerman sixth graders journey to Israel and continue the connection.

Help Us Make Ours the Best of Schools

I share this story (borrowed from Temple Beth El of Cedarhurst) to illustrate how important the role of parental attitude is when it comes to shaping student perceptions about Religious School. Please do what you can to help us make Religious School a positive experience for your children.

It Was the Best of Religious Schools. It Was the Worst of Religious Schools.

Michael went to the best of Religious Schools. He had the finest teacher who cared about what he was teaching and to whom he was teaching. Jonathan went to the worst of Religious Schools. The teacher was boring and did nothing in class.

Michael’s school had a wonderful principal who became involved with the children and their families and saw to it the school was well run. Jonathan’s principal was an annoying fellow who consistently badgered the parents about poor attendance, repeated lateness and lack of preparedness for class.

Michael’s school was modern. It offered trips, assemblies, family programs, music, videos and more to keep up to date. Jonathan’s school was old fashioned. It expected students to learn Hebrew, Torah, history and to do homework.

As his bar mitzvah approached, Michael’s parents asked how many extra parts in the service he could do. Jonathan’s parents asked if it was necessary to recite so much Torah, because after all, his school never taught him to read Hebrew.

Michael went to the best of Religious Schools. Jonathan went to the worst of Religious Schools.

Michael and Jonathan were in the same class.

If you have questions about the school, please ask. Our doors are open to you and we welcome your questions, input and suggestions. We, like you, want Religious School to be an amazing place of learning and community for your child. Together we can make that happen. We need and welcome your input.

Rabbi Bruce Raff, Head of Religious School
60 Years of Camp Music

What better way to honor 60 years of camping than through song? Music has been, and continues to be, integral to camp life. Produced by Paul Roberts, Ellen Sugerman and Jay Brooks, the following is Paul’s first-hand account:

It sounded like a simple idea. Get former song leaders together to make high quality recordings of songs from their era and upload them to the Camps’ website. We reached out to 30+ song leaders ranging from the original, Chuck Feldman, to the current, Joel Swedlove, and 14 agreed to participate! We selected songs to perform, divided up the musical responsibilities and met over the three-day Presidents’ Weekend in February. There was a wonderful vibe in the room; we rekindled old friendships and began new ones. Everyone pitched in to help make each song the best it could be. The instrumental tracks were followed by the singing tracks. Amazing harmonies took shape. Beautiful performances on guitar, bass, piano, recorder and clarinet accentuated each recording. We began to get ambitious and added percussion, even an accordion-iPad! Everyone had a voice, everyone contributed.

Our 60th Anniversary music project brought out the best in all of us. The beauty was that the results were tangible—in the music. We have continued the Camps’ musical legacy. What began with Rabbi Alfred Wolf, blossomed under Chuck Feldman’s creativity, and evolved with anyone and everyone who was a song leader or sang music at Camp, continues today.

L’Dor Va’Dor...


There’s Something in the Air on Shabbat

There’s a special feeling in the air the moment the children arrive with their families at our Mann Family and Erika J. Glazer Early Childhood Centers every Friday. Shabbat candles, challah and a Kiddush cup are on display on a special table in each classroom. Every child makes a challah and decorates bags to take the challahs home to their families. There is nothing better than the smell of baking challah as it wafts through the air.

Each class attends a child-friendly service at Temple to observe Shabbat with a member of our clergy and our music specialist. Every child in the school has the opportunity to be a “Shabbat Child” twice a year; during the service, that child joins the Rabbi on the bimah along with his or her family. When the Rabbi calls “The Shabbat Child,” the child is handed a small Torah and the family follows the Rabbi through the chapel as the children kiss the Torah. It is profoundly moving to watch the parents put their hands on their child’s head as the Rabbi leads the blessing over the children.

Our Ateliers (art studios) are now open on Fridays for the children to participate and share creative experiences with their family. Later, Shabbat is celebrated in the classroom, with the Shabbat Child leading the class in blessings over candles, wine and challah. Every Shabbat is a unique opportunity during the week to share in our Judaism and to celebrate our children with family and delicious ritual.

To continue that Shabbat feeling, both the Temple and Irma’s Campuses offer a Tot Shabbat service with a similar age-appropriate format of music, story and prayer. Once a month on a Saturday morning at 9:30, all families in the community are invited to join us at either site. The morning festivities conclude with Kiddush and a fun craft project. Check the website for dates, www.wbtl.org.
The Fruits of Restoration

This is a transformational season. We have only recently concluded the High Holy Days, the most spiritually reflective time of the year. Many of us are redeveloping our deepest selves as we absorb the lessons from our rabbis, and respond to our own inner yearnings. Wilshire Boulevard Temple is manifesting this process physically, as the Sanctuary restoration moves forward into new and exciting stages. Much of the extraordinary work, which began last year around this time, is showing tangible and superlative results.

The interior dome is fully restored. If you haven’t seen it in person yet, you must. Tours are available. Need an immediate lift of spirit? Look up. It is more magnificent than any photo or description can attempt to describe. Scaffolding which once reached all the way up to the oculus is now relegated to the perimeter of the Sanctuary, as work continues on the restoration of the Warner Murals. The East and West Lunettes, and the Creation Lunette, are now fully restored, the colors bursting and bright. Ongoing restoration work in the Sanctuary includes cleaning of the walnut paneling, repair and reconstruction of the zenitherm (simulated stone) walls, and re-plastering of the underside of the balcony, the corridor walls and ceilings.

The Rose Window, an empty space in the heart of the Temple for over three years, is home again. We are at the end of the process of its reinstallation, its cast stone and stained glass completely restored thanks to the Judson Studios. Also home are the fully restored (also thanks to Judson Studios) East Triple Lancet Windows, and by year’s end the West Triple Lancet Windows will return as well. Complimenting these iconic fixtures are the newly coppered standing seam roofs of the east and west flag niches. If you’ve driven by lately you’ve seen that we’ve brought the exterior scaffolding down several stories. That means the top of the exterior dome is now back to its original glory.

Less glamorous but equally important, the Central Plant is 90% complete. Electric service and the back-up generator are installed, and we’re simply waiting for the City of Los Angeles to energize our system. The ramp to the basement is removed and refilled, as all of the large equipment such as the air handlers and ducts are in place. We can now move forward in constructing our “Celebration Courtyard” between the eastside of the Sanctuary building and the old parking lot off Harvard, which will return newly fenced and lighted.

Much like the personal work we do at this time of year, we are simply rediscovering the best of what Wilshire Boulevard Temple has been, is and will be. While much is new, it is still comfortingly familiar. We’ve worked very hard to get here, though there is much more to do. These recent accomplishments serve to inspire the work ahead, and we look forward to continuing this journey with you.
Upcoming Events

SIX WORD HAVDALAH 🌃
Saturday, November 3, 2012
7:30 p.m.
Come to a funky, alternative Havdalah service with LA’s “East Side Jews,” followed by a live production of the extremely popular Six-Word Memoir Project.
Phil Wallace, pwallace@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8932
www.wbtla.org

HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE
Tuesday, November 13, 2012
8:00 a.m.
Please join us for a fabulous day filled with shopping, socializing, a delicious catered lunch and a world class bake sale. A percentage of each sale goes to support the programs and scholarship funds of our elementary and nursery schools.
Joanna Barra, jbarra@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8900
www.wbtla.org

STYLE AND SUBSTANCE—AN AFTERNOON SALON FOR THE WOMEN OF WILSHIRE 🌃
Sunday, November 4, 2012
4:00 p.m.
Please join us for high tea and an important conversation with Dr. Judith Reichman. Speaking on “Aging, Anti-Aging and Women’s Most Pressing Health Issues.”
Phil Wallace, pwallace@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8932
www.wbtla.org

SUNDAY MORNING SEMINARS 🌃
Sundays, November 4, 11, 18, 2012
9:15 a.m.
Practical Jewish Learning. Topics include “What Judaism says about love, sex, marriage, birth control, abortion and homosexuality,” “Why is Jerusalem so important to the Jewish people?” “Why do Christians and Muslims care so much about Jerusalem?”
Phil Wallace, pwallace@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8932
www.wbtla.org

THE EXODUS AND THE SETTLEMENT OF THE LAND OF ISRAEL 🌃
Monday, November 5, 2012
7:30 p.m.
The final lecture about The Israelite Settlement in the Hill Country of Judea and Samaria around 1200 BCE.
Jerry Berman, cmaa@att.net, (818) 762-5500
www.wbtla.org

A LEONARD COHEN SHABBAT 🌃
Friday, November 16
6:00 p.m.
A special Shabbat service featuring the liturgical music of the great Leonard Cohen. Followed by a special Oneg Shabbat.
Phil Wallace, pwallace@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8932
www.wbtla.org

THE PARENTING JOURNEY 🌃
Thursday, November 15
7:00 p.m.
Join Angella Nazarian, a best-selling author and noted speaker, as she discusses lessons learned from 20 of the most successful women of our times.
Joanna Barra, jbarra@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8900
www.wbtla.org

THE BIG GIVE 🌃
Sunday, November 18
12:30 p.m.
Join us as we assemble and deliver 1000 complete Thanksgiving dinners to feed 4000 of our city’s most needy families. This year, we’re also distributing blankets and gently used coats so your donations are welcome.
Denise Magilnick, dmagilnick@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8930
www.wbtla.org

SHABBAT A LA CARTE 🌃
Saturday, November 10, 2012
9:15 a.m.
Join us for some communal warmth and spiritual reflection that will help center your mind and settle your heart. Something on the menu for everyone: Song and Drum; Discussion and Debate; Taste and Touch; Mind and Soul.
Phil Wallace, pwallace@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8932
www.wbtla.org

Israel Institute: A DAYTIME SPEAKER SERIES 🌃
Select Wednesdays, November 14, December 19, 2012
12:30 p.m.
In the six decades since its founding, the State of Israel has spawned a vibrant culture and multiethnic democracy. Bring your lunch and join us as we listen to top academic and political experts discuss the history and politics and society of Israel.
Phil Wallace, pwallace@wbtla.org, (424) 208-8932
www.wbtla.org

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- Donovan Lachman's baby naming by Don and Cheryl Weinstein
- Barry Smooke 75th birthday by Judith and Richard Smooke

In Loving Memory Of:
- Robert Adlen by Paula Hoffman
- Marietta Bach by Kenneth Kornan
- Norman Beck by Patricia Sagon
- Beloved parents, Jacob and Selma Becker by Jane Hinch
- Harry Bender by Jordan Bender
- Gordon Bodak by Mamie Bodak, Ed Moss and Family
- Robert Boren by Dorothy Strauss
- William Citron by Cecile Barton
- Anne Abarst, Norman Abrams, Meyer Cohen and Minette Cohen by Elaine and Earle Cohen
- Florence Cohen by Larty and Hannah Heineman
- Suzanne Cores, Jane Friedman and Minnie Shalet by Beth Coret
- Fit Al Gough and Family
- Philip Drucker by Sheldon Kapar
- Elie Fogelman by John and Sherm Fogelman
- Lilian Gefold by Lee and Gordon Gefold
- Beatrice T. Gery by Janice and Arthur Gery
- Rose Gelfenbaum by Steven Gelfenbaum
- Cole Greenspan by Nancy Senter Greenspan
- Betty Hidden by Michele Lichten
- Margaret Henkvitis by Judith and Richard Smooke
- Beloved husband, Warner Hinch by Jane Hinch
- Claudine V. Keith by Dr. in Mrs. Arthur Keith
- Victor S. Kesler by Barbara Kesler
- Shirley Kline by Marshall Kline
- Elka L. Kunit by Mr. in Mrs. Stanford Rubin
- Sibyl Allen Lewenstein by Paula Hoffman
- Helaine Melvin by Stuart Melvin
- Albert Miller by The Rosenberg Family
- Irma Phillips by Shirley Phillips
- Minnie Rosenberg by Dorothy Rosey
- Cynthia Rosenwald by Dr. in Mrs. Barry Rosenblum
- Hilda Salet and Marvin Rainer by Mildred Rainer
- Michael H. Schwartz by Bob Schwartz
- Dorothy Shapiro by Sheldon Kapar
- Ralph Snyder by Rick Chromiak
- Florence Solomon by Fredric J. Margaret Paaske
- Evelyn Tuch by Marilyn Brown
- Helen Weinstien by Don and Cheryl Weinstein
- Lorraine Weinstien by Paul and Jeff Schullman
- Irma Weiskopf by Mr. in Mrs. Frank Schiller
- Great grandmother, Irma Weiskopf by Dr. Maksit and Gary Schiller

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Mariette Simon
In Honor Of:
- Cantor Don Gurney by Carol and Daniel Bovill
- Rabbi Steven Ledder by Carol and Daniel Bovill
- Lon Rosen by Rabbi Steve and Aaron Ledder

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- Rose Fischer by Edie and Joe Fischer
- Ruth C. Perlm by Brenda Levin, Eliott and David Abel
- Richard Epstein by Mr. in Mrs. Barton Epstein
- Brandon Tartikoff by Lilly Tartikoff

CLERGY FUND
In Honor Of:
- The birth of granddaughter and niece, Jordan Rose Feldman by Betty Cohen and Family
- Clergy and staff for a peaceful and happy New Year by Bette and Abbie Feldman
- Rabbi Steven Ledder by Lynda, Mitch, Sadie and Max Dorf
- Rabbi Steven Ledder by Stephanie and Brian Moorehouse
- My special birthday by Lotte Seelman

In Loving Memory Of:
- Jordan Feldman by Bertie and Abbie Feldman
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- Margaret Henryk by Viven, Glenn, Marc, Steve, Eddy, Mary and Glota
- Anne Cohn, Harriet Levi and Lois Ruder by Lennee Levy Israel

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In Loving Memory Of:
- Norman Beck by Stanley Schneider

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Elaine and Cary Fox
Jeanne Gerson
John and Lara Rich
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In Honor Of:
- Jack Baum's Bar Mitzva by Hedy Van der Pruut
- Lutie Seelmen's 95th birthday by Jean Cohen
- Estelle Wachs by Michael Wachs

In Loving Memory Of:
- Rae Arons by Helen Sheskin
- Debbie Berger by Hs and Mayo Stark
- Henrietta (Danny) Blumer by Lisa Agay
- Dear brother in law, Stanley Brown by Lucille Epstein
- Dear brother in law, Stanley Brown by Margaret Epstein
- Stanley Brown by Marian Brown
- Jean W. Dessen by Janet and Herb Rappaport
- Elsie Fogelman by Betty Cohen
- Fred Furst and Ruth Furst by Lotte Seelan
- Shlom Glickman by Elizabeth Firebaum
- Robert Haiman by Shirley Haiman
- Wonderful father and loving grandfather, Max Hartfield by Lucille Epstein and family
- Edward Heyman by Brandon Levin
- Edward Heyman by Susie and Bruce Levin
- Dr. Hal Howard by Marian Brown and Family
- Evelyn K. Kramer by Dr. in Mrs. Mayo Stark
- Helen Levine by Brenda Levin, David and Elot Abel
- Lillian Lym by Mr. & Mrs. Donald Motley
- Ronald Moss by Maria, Nick and Michael Moss
- Kevin Platt by Lynn Weisman

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In Beloved memory of:
- Fanny W. Altman by Robert Haiman
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- Evelyn K. Kramer by Dr. in Mrs. Mayo Stark
- Helen Levine by Brenda Levin, David and Elot Abel
- Lillian Lym by Mr. & Mrs. Donald Motley
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In Honor Of:
- My special birthday by Lotte Seelman
- Rabbi Steven Leder by Stephanie and Brian Morehouse
- Rabbi Steven Leder by Lynda, Mitch, Sadie and Max Dorf

In Loving Memory Of:
- Rabbi David Edel for officiating at the funeral service of Molly Greenberg by Buddy Ullman and Jacques Jones
- Henry and Leslie Ullman; Laura Ullman and Mark Epstein

WILSHIRE BOULEVARD TEMPLE CAMPS
In Loving Memory Of:
- Milton Hoffman by Sherry and Allen Tuchman
- Miriam Hoffman and Milton Hoffman by Paula Hoffman
- George K. Simon by Valerie and Lilly Gondin; Rosalie Appel

RABBI ALFRED WOLF CAMPS FUND
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In Loving Memory Of:
- All my loved ones by Pauline Greenstein

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In Honor Of:
- Betty Fields
- Wendy Manzara Levine

SHE LAUER FAMILY CAMPSHIP FUND
In Loving Memory Of:
- Jennie and Joseph Sauer by Steve, Micki, Jonathan and Molly Sauer

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In Honor Of:
- ERA Loevinger's birthday by Harriet Markman

In Loving Memory Of:
- Florence Roth by Gerti Brauwerman

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- Harriet Lindauer by Myra and Jack Porter
- Anne Spilberg by Brandon Levin
- Amie Spilberg by Susie and Bruce Levin

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In Loving Memory Of:
- Eugene Simon by Mr. in Mrs. Andrew Simon

BIKUR CHOLIM FUND
In Honor Of:
- Rabbi Karen Fox for officiating at the funeral service of Molly Greenberg by Buddy Ullman and Jacques Jones
- Henry and Leslie Ullman; Laura Ullman and Mark Epstein
- Andrea Pilag by Adele and Ben Habibi

We appreciate your generous donations. An $18 minimum donation is required for each acknowledgment card.
JACK CROWN PETERSON  
**November 3, 2012**

Jack is the son of Janet Crown and Gunnar Peterson; the grandson of Renee and Lester Crown; Judy and Karl Peterson.

Family Welcome: Henry Peterson, Sloan Peterson and Steve Robinson

**Tikkun Olam Project:** Jack spent time this summer in Africa in the Masai Mara building schools with Free the Children, an organization providing schools, clean water, health care and sanitation to one million people around the globe, freeing children and their families from the cycle of poverty.

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ADAM ROBERT SCHWIMMER  
**November 3, 2012**

Adam is the son of Linda and Howard Schwimmer; the grandson of Rhoda and Edwin Gooze; the late Richard Gross; Tobie and Larry Schwimmer.

Family Welcome: Arin Schwimmer and Ethan Schwimmer

**Tikkun Olam Project:** Adam collected and donated gently used athletic shoes to the Boys' and Girls' Club of Santa Monica. He also collected and donated gently used cleats to Nikky’s Sports where they are given to less fortunate children.

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BENJAMIN REED FREEDMAN  
**November 10, 2012**

Ben is the son of Debra Diamond and Jeffrey Freedman; the grandson of Marion and Dr. Michael Freedman; Deborah and Gerald Goldfaden; Marilyn and Michael Diamond and great-grandson of Evelyn and the late William Poltrock.

**Tikkun Olam Project:** Ben volunteered at Grandview Palms Senior Living Community teaching seniors how to use computers, setting up e-mails and how to use the internet. He hopes this will help them communicate with relatives and friends.

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SOPHIE GOLDBERG  
**November 10, 2012**

Sophie is the daughter of Paula Kaplan and William Goldberg; the granddaughter of Elaine and Nathan Goldberg; Lois and the late Gilbert Kaplan.

Family Welcome: Molly Goldberg

**Tikkun Olam Project:** Sophie volunteered for Operation Gratitude. She helped make care packages and survival bracelets for people in the military to send overseas as well as returning disabled and homeless soldiers.

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RYAN TENEROWICZ  
**November 17, 2012**

Ryan is a graduate of Brawerman Elementary School.

Ryan is the son of Lee and Jim Tenerowicz the grandson of Nola and Raymond Spiro; Beverly and Bill Semeniuk.

**Tikkun Olam Project:** Ryan, with his brother, Kyle collected sports equipment and through Sports Gift will be making their donation to Hope Central in Watts. This organization provides sports equipment to impoverished and disadvantaged children throughout the world, and promotes sports related community service.

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KYLE TENEROWICZ  
**November 17, 2012**

Kyle is a graduate of Brawerman Elementary School.

Kyle is the son of Lee and Jim Tenerowicz the grandson of Nola and Raymond Spiro; Beverly and Bill Semeniuk.

**Tikkun Olam Project:** Kyle, with his brother, Ryan, collected sports equipment and through Sports Gift will be making their donation to Hope Central in Watts. This organization provides sports equipment to impoverished and disadvantaged children throughout the world, and promotes sports related community service.

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CAMERON JAURY SILBER  
**November 24, 2012**

Cameron is the son of Cherie Silber and Michael Silber; the grandson of Ilene Braun and the late Maurice Silber.

**Tikkun Olam Project:** Cameron collected books from students at his school to donate to the Ronald McDonald House. He gave over 300 books.

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MCKENNA EMILY SILBER  
**November 24, 2012**

McKenna is the daughter of Cherie Silber and Michael Silber; the granddaughter of Ilene Braun and the late Maurice Silber.

**Tikkun Olam Project:** McKenna organized a fundraiser through her school and raised funds to donate to the less fortunate children in Uganda.

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GABRIEL M. KAPLAN  
**November 24, 2012**

Gabe is the son of Jean and Stephen Kaplan; the grandson of John Moran and the late Marie Moran; the late Madeleine Kaplan and the late Milton Kaplan.

Family Welcome: Mikhail, Sam, Madeline, Lev and Martin

**Tikkun Olam Project:** Gabe is dedicated to Heal the Bay, an organization that helps clean up Los Angeles beaches. Gabe compiled information from beach clean-up throughout the year in order to analyze and aid the work towards cleaner beaches for everyone.
Proud Brawerman Family

Hi all,

Over the past few months Toby and I have spent an amazing amount of time thinking about, and discussing the school. The reasons for this were not only our interest in Kayden’s education, but also the role that the school had in our choice of homes.

As most of you know we sold our home in May and have been living in a temporary home until we could find a new place. What you may not know is that over the past months, we found several places we could have lived, but each would have made Kayden’s staying at Brawerman East unlikely. In the end we decided to wait until we found a place that made sense (in terms of proximity) to the school.

I wanted you to know that Toby and I decided that keeping Kayden at Brawerman East is one of the best things we could do for him! We are very impressed with all four of the teachers (and others) he has had thus far, and it’s clear to us that the kids are learning wonderful social and spiritual lessons that go far beyond reading and writing. While the houses and communities we considered had much to offer, we felt that nothing we found was worth moving Kayden away from this really wonderful school.

Toby and I wanted to say that your collective dedication to the kids, and responsiveness to the parents is obvious.

So in a nutshell, thanx for making this school so great, and we hope to stay a while! HAVE FUN!

Sam Berkow, i.e. Kayden’s Dad.
**Schedule of Shabbat Worship & Study**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2**

**Soul Sounds Shabbat**
Rabbi Eshel, Cantor Gurney and Band  
6:00 p.m.

**Shabbat Service**
Rabbi Leder and Cantor Caro  
6:00 p.m.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3**

**Torah Study**
Genesis Vayera 18:1 – 22:24  
Avi Cohen  
9:00 a.m.

**Tot Shabbat**
Rabbi Leder  
9:30 a.m.

**Shabbat Services**
Bar Mitzvah of Jack Crown Peterson  
Rabbi Leder and Cantor Caro  
10:30 a.m.

Bar Mitzvah of Adam Robert Schwimmer  
Rabbi Eshel and Cantor Gurney  
10:30 a.m.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9**

**Soul Sounds Shabbat**
Rabbi Leder, Cantor Gurney and Band  
6:00 p.m.

**Shabbat Service**
Rabbi Fox and Cantor Caro  
6:00 p.m.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10**

**Torah Study**
Genesis Chaya Sarah 23:1 – 25:18  
Ashley Berms  
9:00 a.m.

**Shabbat à la Carte**
Rabbi Fox and Cantor Rosenbloom  
9:15 a.m.

**Shabbat Service**
B’nei Mitzvah of Benjamin Reed Freedman and Sophie Goldberg  
Rabbi Leder and Cantor Gurney  
10:30 a.m.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16**

**Shabbat Service**
Cantor Caro  
6:00 p.m.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23**

**Shabbat Services**
Rabbi Shapiro and Cantor Caro  
6:00 p.m.

**Rabbi Leder and Cantor Gurney**  
6:00 p.m.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30**

**Shabbat Services**
B’nei Mitzvah of Cameron Silber and McKenna Silber  
Rabbi Shapiro and Cantor Caro  
10:30 a.m.

**Bar Mitzvah of Gabriel Kaplan**  
Rabbi Leder and Cantor Gurney  
10:30 a.m.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

**Torah Study**
Genesis Vayetze 28:10 – 32:3  
Rabbi Shapiro  
9:00 a.m.