 Volunteers Give - and They Get

She was barely five feet tall, making it a challenge for her to reach inside the containers of food along the counter. Speaking only Korean, she conveyed her needs by pointing. I responded to each gesture, handing her a stalk of celery, a half dozen jalapeños, a few apples, some lettuce. We filled her bag at the Karsh Family Social Service Center food pantry that Sunday morning, and wordlessly, she bowed to thank me as she headed for the door. But then she stopped and turned around. “Shalom,” she said with a big smile.

And there it was: one word, a heartwarming Hebrew word at that, reminding me that the chief beneficiaries of volunteering are not just the people we serve.

Let me say this straight-out. I was never much of a volunteer kind of guy. Maybe once in a while. But for the most part, that was for others. I’d do my part writing checks to help a cause. Getting involved in the Karsh Center food pantry or the other Wilshire Boulevard Temple volunteer programs? Nah, not for me. Until Mid-December.

My wife’s birthday was approaching. It was a Sunday, and she had a non-traditional idea for celebrating. She decided to invite a bunch of our friends to volunteer at the food pantry on her birthday. Then we’d take everyone out for breakfast.

“Really?” I said. “Is that what you want to do?”

Reluctantly, I went along. It was clearly not what I expected. Our group of 10 quickly blended into the beehive of activity—volunteers of all ages putting cans of food into big bags and bread into smaller bags, moving potatoes and other produce from the freezers to stations along the counters, greeting and assisting clients who had waited patiently for the doors to open.

My first job was cabbage duty, removing any spoiled leaves, then stacking the heads on the counter for distribution. I had no idea what my wife, Joan Harrison, and our friends were doing. I was too engaged with my cabbage.

As clients moved through the lines, I took on a second job, standing near the exit...
What’s the Frequency, Moses?

Vayikra Leviticus 1:1–5:26

This month we start the third book of the Torah, Vayikra, translated as “and God called...” God called Moses to lead the Jewish people. Why Moses? Some in our tradition teach that Moses heard God’s voice because he was the only one attuned to it, that it passed right by others who were completely unaware of it. In nature, we know that the ears of different species are set for different audio frequencies; this is true even among humans. I have heard from some of my students that there is a ring tone set at a certain frequency that can be heard only by people under the age of 20. If true, it stands to reason that it would require a very high spiritual frequency to hear the voice of God. Moses was attuned to this frequency—the frequency of humility. When God was revealed to Moses from the burning bush, Moses hid his face, for he was in the presence of holiness. Because of this, God sent him to free the Israelites, suggesting that leadership comes not from the desire of power and position but from the recognition by others of our qualities. This demands a genuine inner sense of humility. However, humility does not mean denying or diminishing our talents or abilities. Moses knew he had the responsibility of leadership, and when he was called on to lead, he stood up and asserted himself. Genuine, true, powerful humility...may we all be blessed with such a gift.

Rabbi David Eshel

Cover Story (continued)

to help with filling up bags, making sure they weren’t too heavy to carry out. As clients finished their shopping, many thanked me in their Korean- or Spanish-flavored English. Some even said, “God bless you.”

As mundane as this may seem, stacking cabbage and handing out apples and potatoes, the more I did, the more I realized how much the pantry meant to these people caught at the short end of life’s serendipity. We weren’t just handing out food; we were handing out survival.

And that’s when it really hit me: while the food was a gift to them, their thank-yous were gifts to me. It gave me something that writing a check never did—a warm, spiritual uplift that comes from one-on-one interaction, however brief. It’s a feeling that’s hard to describe, but you know it when you have it.

I’m sure any longtime volunteer may be thinking, Duh, why do you think I do this. Now I get it: it’s one thing to contemplate food distribution in the abstract, even help pay for it; it’s quite another to experience it yourself. The Karsh Center pantry is open every Sunday morning. There’s plenty of food and plenty of opportunity to help. I encourage you to try it. A gift is waiting.

Shalom.

Michael Janofsky

Volunteers are always welcome. Visit karshcenter.org/volunteer.

The Karsh Center provides food for clients -- and good vibes for volunteers.
Delicious Lessons Served at Snack and Lunch

At our Early Childhood Centers, snack and lunch times are integral parts of the day. When children arrive at school each morning, they are invited to take part in preparing their own snacks. We find that when involved in the food-preparation process, children are more inclined to taste foods that they haven’t tried at home. Some of the items on our snack menu include banana oat pancakes, broccoli cheddar bites, and tropical smoothies. For the bruschetta snack, our gardening specialist, Joan Borgman, and a small group of children walk to the nursery school garden to harvest the basil. Meanwhile, other children dice up tomatoes, squeeze olive oil, and spread garlic on ciabatta bread. Along with experiencing the life cycle of planting, watching our gardens grow and enjoying its harvest, the children are strengthening their small- and large-motor skills and improving hand-eye coordination and physical development.

Our hot lunch is prepared fresh each day by Temple executive chef John Bard. The children set the tables with tablecloths and serve the healthy, family-style meal themselves. This experience provides math lessons, as they count the number of plates needed, add up the number of classmates to be served, and divide the food in equal portions. Lunchtime is also a natural opportunity for language development and socialization: children articulate questions and express theories about new foods, discuss where specific foods come from, and explore diverse cultural backgrounds. In addition, the use of tongs and utensils strengthens small-motor skills.

Both snack and lunch menus are carefully planned by our nutritionist and former nursery school parent, Nahal Danesh. And while the children are nourishing their bodies with delicious food and expanding their palettes, they are also making mealtimes sacred, expressing gratitude with blessings, and following Jewish traditions.

GHC Turns 50!

This July, we will commemorate a huge milestone. Founded in 1968, Gindling Hilltop Camp will celebrate its 50th summer! Much has changed over five decades, but camp remains a happy home to hundreds of children every year. Mark your calendar: on July 7, 2018, help kick off the next 50 GHC years. Join us for a fun-filled day beginning with Shabbat services in the chapel, followed by camp activities—swimming, ropes course, dancing, sports, art projects, a song session, reconnecting with friends, and, of course, legendary camp food. The day will also include a special ceremony honoring our junior and senior pioneers who built GHC with love and hard work.

It promises to be a great day to come together to recognize the rich history of GHC. All are invited to the top of the hill for the 50th-anniversary celebration. More details at wbtcamps.org/ghc50 as we approach the date.

Registration for 2018 summer camp is open and some sessions are already waitlisted. Visit wbtcamps.org

Some of GHC’s first campers who helped plant the seeds for the future.
WOW—The Word Is Getting Out!

Women of Wilshire (WOW), the brainstorm of Temple congregants Cindy Feder and Marnie Bodek, struck more than two years ago. Following High Holy Days services in 2016 and Rabbi Leder's “call to action,” longtime friends Cindy and Marnie, who had always loved exploring Los Angeles, realized how few of the many wonderful women at Wilshire Boulevard Temple in their 60ish age range they actually knew but whom, they imagined, shared similar interests. They decided to take action. It was time to meet similarly aged female congregants and discover within Temple a smaller and more intimate community.

After developing their vision further with Temple Director of Engagement and Leadership Jodi Berman, WOW was established; and with the help of a steering committee composed of sixteen working and non-working female Temple members, WOW’s mission was crafted—to promote friendship and connection among female congregants between the ages of 50 and 70, while enriching lives through cultural, intellectual, and social activities.

Few people realize that all WOW programs are conceived, planned, and executed by volunteers on the steering committee. Berman, and her assistant Reesa Rotman provide critical Temple staff support, which is restricted to administrative assistance with WOW invitations, mailings, and Temple logistics (as well as thoughtful commentary and feedback on activities), however, all programming is entirely volunteer-driven. Thus, programming depends on volunteer interests—what they want to plan and for times convenient for them.

This year WOW’s calendar included: dinners and lectures, tours of Chagall: Fantasies for the Stage at LACMA and the Leonard Bernstein exhibit at the Skirball Cultural Center, hikes, movies, a cooking class, community service opportunities, and cultural programs at UCLA.

Thanks to the WOW steering committee, this lively, self-directed group is constantly evolving in new directions, and programming ideas are always welcome. Please consider joining the enriching, enjoyable WOW if you fit the demographic. Contact Cindy at cindyfeder@gmail.com or Marnie at mossbodek@msn.com if interested.

Community News

Board of Trustees Nominations

The nomination process for Trustees and Trustee Officers for election at the next annual meeting of Members on June 15 and meeting of the Board, respectively, has commenced. Members of Wilshire Boulevard Temple may submit to the Executive Director on or before April 1 the names and qualifications of proposed candidates for consideration by the Nominating Committee. Please send your suggestions to nominations@wbtla.org.

Special Camp Programs Set in May

Two special camp programs are set for the month of May. Camp Kulam (May 4-6), provides an enriching, fun, and inclusive weekend for families with children eight-years-old or younger who have special needs. May 25-27 is David Dassa’s Arts and Culture Weekend designed to excite anyone with a love and fascination for creativity and community.

Children’s Health Experts Presented at ECC Program

Our Early Childhood Centers hosted Drs. Rosalind and Robert Wright, two international leaders in environmental health from the Children’s Environmental Health Center and The Institute for Exposomic Research at Mt. Sinai’s Icahn School of Medicine in New York. The informative session explored research and findings on such topics as nutrition and social environment, children’s health and its impact on society, and how children’s biology and behavior patterns can make them more or less susceptible to exposure. To discover more events of interest, view our event calendar at wbtla.org/events.
Rabbi Elissa Ben-Naim, Director of Jewish Life and Learning at Brawerman West, feels passionately about the school’s Kesher program, in which Israeli sixth-graders visit their Brawerman counterparts here in Los Angeles, and Brawerman students visit Israeli students in Israel. “By connecting young Jews, our program helps ensure the continued strength of the Jewish people,” she asserted.

The Kesher program at Brawerman has evolved over the years. Initially, Brawerman became part of a “twinning” program through the Jewish Federation of Los Angeles in which Jewish day schools were matched with public schools in Israel. In the latest iteration of Kesher last December, Brawerman East’s Grade 6 students hosted Israeli sixth graders, not from a public school but from Beit Daniel, the Center for Progressive Judaism in Tel Aviv. Last October, Brawerman West’s Grade 6 students hosted Israeli sixth graders from the David Yalin School in Tel Aviv.

Over several days, in the case of each delegation, the Israeli students were housed in the homes of Brawerman Grade 6 families. Both delegations spent two days at Gindling Hilltop Camp, enjoyed Disneyland, and visited with Brawerman students at the school campuses. Students enjoyed many activities, some of which were designed to allow students to get to know one another, to pray and reflect, and to create Jewish art. Students based at East lunched with the Temple clergy and exchanged ideas about American-Israel relations and what connects Jews. They also toured the Karsh Family Social Service Center and spent time sorting donated children’s clothing for distribution to the local community. During their delegation hosting, students based at West were challenged by the organization Trash for Teaching to cooperatively build eco-vehicles, pinball machines, circuits, and the “ultimate recycling machine” out of recycled materials. In addition, Israeli students partnered with their West buddies to present Torahs to kindergarten students in a Simchat Torah ceremony.

In April Grade 6 students from both the East and West campuses will travel to Israel together to explore the country and rejoin the Israeli students they hosted in the fall. Students are eager to build on the friendships with their buddies while starting new connections with the land and people of Israel.

Brawerman Alumni Spotlight

Twins Kyle and Ryan Tenerowicz (class of 2012) are currently seniors at Santa Monica High School (SAMOHI). Since six years of age, Kyle and Ryan have been devoted to the sport of basketball. Their love of the game has continued throughout their schooling career, and they are both currently on the varsity boys’ basketball team. Kyle scored an all time career high 46 points in one varsity game during his junior year. Ryan has just been nominated for valedictorian of the SMHS class of 2018, and he has been a member of the National Honors Society for high academic achievement/community service for the past four years.

As graduates of Brawerman Elementary School, they credit the school with teaching them the value of being upstanding citizens in the community. From an early age, they have volunteered their time at the Ocean Park Community Center and continue giving back through ongoing volunteer work. Still deeply connected to Brawerman (beyond their mother, Lee Tenerowicz, in her 13th year as a teacher there), they have worked the school’s Blaze summer camp for the past two years and agree that Brawerman will forever be a part of their lives.
Did you know that Religious School hosts three unique youth programs for Wilshire Boulevard Temple students? These groups bring together current Brawerman and Religious School students, as well as Brawerman Alumni! 

WBTYdeux (Grades 4 and 5) and Jr.WBTY (Grades 6 and 7) participate in several events throughout the year. WBTY (Grades 8 through 12) meets weekly, as well as hosts trips and social events throughout the year. There really is something for everybody. This year, our young youth groups are directed by Ms. Jayme Zahavi (BESWest sixth-grade teacher) and Coach Chris Donahoe (BESEast) and supported by teachers and staff. During the past two months, the Jr.WBTY Mystery Bus Ride, WBTYdeux Pajama Rama, and WBTY Ice Skating and Glazer Teen Tu Bish’vat Social Justice Exchange were enjoyed by more than 120 students from our schools.

Upcoming events include: Jr.WBTY Rockreation on Sunday, March 18, and WBTYdeux Lazer Tag and Ice Cream on Sunday, May 6. Check out all Religious School happenings on our new website, wbtreligiousschool.org.

Youth Groups Attract Students in Grades 4 to 12

Torah and Trout with Rabbi Leder

June 22 – 25, Irwin, Idaho

Join Rabbi Leder for 3 idyllic days at the award-winning Lodge at Palisades Creek, on the best dry-fly fishing river in North America. Under the big sky of Irwin, Idaho, near Jackson Hole, Wyoming, we will be the only guests at this 5-star-rated Lodge. Professionals will guide you on the river and Rabbi Leder will guide you in Torah.

Contact: Samantha Rosen: srosen@wbtl.org or by phone at (213) 835-2121.

Torah on the Tee with Rabbi Shapiro

July 26 – 29, Bandon, Oregon

The rugged coast of Oregon is the setting for Bandon Dunes Golf Resort, five distinctly different links-style courses conceived in harmony with the natural environment – where golf is played as it was meant to be. Tee-up a spectacular weekend of golf and comradery with Rabbi Shapiro and other congregants this July 26 to 29. Space for this trip is very limited.

Contact: Denise Magilnick: dmagilnick@wbtl.org or by phone at (424) 208-8930.
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FAMILY CAMP 👫
Friday, March 2 - Sunday, March 4
We are more excited than ever to bring WBT families together for our annual retreat. This weekend at Camp is for temple families with children in grades K-6.
Erica Feinman, erica@wbtcamps.org, (213) 835-2145
wbtcamps.org/familycamp

TORAH AND LUNCH WITH RABBI LEDER 🙏
Friday, March 2, 12:00 p.m., Century City
Why not mix business and Torah over lunch a few times a year? Join Rabbi Leder for lunch and Torah study on selected 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. Series cost: $36. RSVP required.
Samantha Rosen, srosen@wbtl.org, (213) 835-2121
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NEFESH TORAH STUDY 🙏
Sunday, March 4 9:00 a.m.
We are delighted to host our Sunday morning adult learning with Rabbi Goldberg. This year we’ll look at the juicy narratives of Torah through a spiritual, psychological, and cultural lens. All are welcome—from experienced Torah studiers to first-timers.
Ashley Sullivan, asullivan@wbtl.org, (213) 835-2146
wbtl.org/nefesh-torah-study

JASON MESCHES PURIM BENEFIT CONCERT 🎵
Sunday, March 4 1:30 p.m.
The incomparable Jason Mesches and his band will perform a festive Purim concert to benefit the Religious School Scholarship Fund. This musical celebration is ideal for all ages, especially children. Open to the greater Los Angeles community.
Amanda Pleau, apleau@wbtl.org, (213) 208-8906
wbtreligiousschool.org/purim

TOT SHABBAT 🎈
Saturday, March 10 9:00 a.m.
Celebrate Shabbat with a musical service for children, a special crafts project, singing, and Kiddush! The Tot Shabbat program is open to families with young children.
Fredda Loewenstein, fredda@wbtl.org, (213) 835-8922
wbtecc.org/totshabbat

SCREENING: THE LAST LAUGH 🎥
Tuesday, March 13 7:30 p.m.
Join us for an exclusive screening of this superb documentary about Jewish humor and its boundaries regarding the Holocaust.
Reesa Rotman, rrotman@wbtl.org, (424) 208-8932
wbtl.org/manyways

“ALL IN” POKER TOURNAMENT 🎲
Thursday, March 15, 5:00 p.m., The Griffin Club Los Angeles
Join us for our fifth annual “All In” Poker Tournament benefiting Wilshire Boulevard Temple Camps Scholarship Funds.
Alison Gettleson, alison@wbtcamps.org, (213) 835-2153
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SALON SHABBAT—GEORGE WASHINGTON, JEWS, AND THE STORY OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN AMERICA 🙏
Friday, March 16 6:00 p.m.
This fascinating Shabbat is presented by Dr. Gary Zola, Executive Director of the Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives.
Reesa Rotman, rrotman@wbtl.org, (424) 208-8932
wbtl.org/salonshabbat

KARSH KNITTING CIRCLE - HATS AND SCARVES FOR THE HOMELESS 🧶
Monday, March 19 10:00 a.m.
Calling all knitters and crocheters! Lighten up your stash and do a mitzvah at the same time. Join our fiber-loving family and meet fellow crafters as we make much needed accessories for the homeless. Coffee and bagels will be served.
Reesa Rotman, rrotman@wbtl.org, (424) 208-8932
wbtl.org/knittingcircle

L.A. RABBIS TEACH 🤔
Tuesday, March 20 7:30 p.m.
Rabbi Daniel Bouskila, former senior rabbi of the Sephardic Temple Tifereth Israel and current Director at the Sephardic Educational Center discusses “Voices from the East: Exploring the World of Sephardic Judaism.”
Reesa Rotman, rrotman@wbtl.org, (424) 208-8932
wbtl.org/manyways

Events and times subject to change.
This Month’s Passover Opportunities

Passover, one of our most widely observed holidays, commemorates the story of the Israelites’ departure from ancient Egypt. Honoring a time of the Jewish people’s newfound liberation, we observe the weeklong festival with a number of important rituals. Among them are some exciting Passover opportunities with the Wilshire Boulevard Temple Family:

Passover Workshop
Sunday, March 25, 10:00 a.m., Glazer and Irmas Campuses
Enrich your Passover experience. Learn more about the Passover stories, customs, ceremonies, Seder traditions, and symbolic foods with members of our clergy.

WOW Women’s Seder
Monday, March 26, 6:00 p.m., Irmas Campus
At the Irmas Campus on March 26, we hold our first Women of Wilshire multi-generational Women’s Seder. With a service conducted by Rabbi Susan Nanus and musical accompaniment from Cathy Gordon, mothers, daughters, sisters, aunts, and granddaughters are encouraged to attend. Topping off the evening with a Passover dessert potluck, it’s best that you bring your favorite Passover dessert and recipe to share!

Contact: Reesa Rotman, rrotman@wbtl.org, (424) 208-8932

Adult Seder
Friday, March 30, 6:00 p.m.,
Irmas Campus
The second Seder, on March 30, will be our Adult Seder. Beginning with a creative, musical service and ending with a delicious Passover meal, the Adult Seder welcomes older children and teens to join their parents.

Contact: Reesa Rotman, rrotman@wbtl.org, (424) 208-8932

Family Seder at Camp
Saturday, March 31, 12:30 p.m., Camp Hess Kramer
Lead by Rabbi David Eshel, our third Passover Seder is our Family Day at Camp. Come spend time with your family, bring your friends, and meet new families from throughout the Wilshire Boulevard Temple community with a view of the Malibu shoreline to boot.

Contact: Denise Magilnick, dmagilnick@wbtl.org, (424) 208-8930

Attention Parents of College Students: A Taste of Passover

During Pesach, we are not always able to be with our children who are away at college. This year, if they cannot be home with us, we want to send a little bit of home to them. Please send your children’s current college mailing address to Reesa Rotman at rrotman@wbtl.org or (424) 208-8932 ASAP so we can send a special care package for the holiday.

Food Pantry Drive
Karsh Center
Your support of our Food Pantry allows us to heed the ancient commandment to feed the hungry and care for the sick. Through our congregants’ generosity, we have been able to provide nutritious groceries to anyone who shows up, never turning away a single person.

When we sit at our Seder tables, we proclaim, “Let all who are hungry come and eat.”

Give this special meaning this year by contributing to our annual Food Pantry Drive at wbtl.org/foodpantrydonation.
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In Honor of:
Alfred Umansky by Danielle and Alejandro Umansky

In Loving Memory of:
Paul Baum by Rena and Alexander Marino
Edna Bermond by Pat and Samuel Crane
Eleanor E. Blum by Dr. Lisa Blum and Ms. Susan Rodriguez
John Breuer by Mrs. Julie Breuer
Anna Brody by Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Brody
Morris Brooks by Mr. and Mrs. David Hilliard
Joseph Caden by Diana Arnold Grycan
Eva Codon by Mrs. Jack Schuster
Michael Conner by Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Conner
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Tillie Edelman by Susan Edelman and Sandor Fuchs
Regina Friedman by Mrs. Dorothy Weinberger
Goldie Gelfand by Mrs. Arlene Gelfand
Joan Goldsmith by Laurence Bloch
Sidonia M. Gordon by Monte Gordon
Marilyn Greenspan by Alan Greenspan
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Jacob H. Haiman by Shirley Haiman
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Harold Hoffenberg by Sharyn and Walter Gertz
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Rhonda Mandel by Joel Mandel
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Michael Miller by Robert Miller
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Rose Morhar by Mr. and Mrs. Glen Janken
Geraldine Nacht by Mr. and Mrs. George Nagler
Lorene Randall by Dr. and Mrs. Neil Haas
Samuel E. Roddy by Jean Rosenbaum-Katz
Sydney Rosenberg by Jaclyn B. Rosenberg
Morris Savin by Mark Savin
Larry Staten by Blaine and Aaron Kaplan
Michael J. Sokol by Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Sokol
Hayward Tamkin by Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Tamkin
Jane Tranen and Arnold Tranen by Dina and Jeffrey Tranen
Minaa Tuller by Mrs. Shirley Phillips
Betty Umansky by Danielle and Alejandro Umansky
Leon Wachtman by Mr. and Mrs. Bradford Pollack
Maxine Warren by Paula Epstein and Dan Persoff
Rosalie Witz by Dr. and Mrs. Paul Crane
Louis Wolner by Fenir Margulies

CLERGY FUND
Joyce Tapper and Richard Dickman
Bunny Perlter
Polly and Monty Preston

In Honor of:
Rabbi Ben-Naim and Cantor Ettinger by David Kaminow
Ronen E. Ettinger by Mr. and Mrs. Mark Kuperstock
Rabbi Steven Leder for officiating at the memorial service of Gail Breuer by Mr. and Mrs. Jared Breuer
Rabbi Steven Leder and the success of his new book by Mr. and Mrs. Martin Goldmark
Rabbi Steven Leder by Alan and Patricia Jasper

In Loving Memory of:
Helene Bank by Mr. Bradley Tabach-Bank
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Nina Weinstein

In Honor of:
Emma S. Fox by David and Stephanie Eshel
Maya Gordon by David and Stephanie Eshel

In Loving Memory of:
Jeanette Agay by Lisa Agay Getz and Stan Getz
Irving and Lee Bass, Dr. Alvin Barbanell, Marianne Barbanell, and Clifford and Harriet Barbanell by Jerry Bass and Stephanie Barbanell
Morton Berstein by Mrs. Janet Gross
Jack Chinski by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Chinski
Helen Dresser by Mrs. Diane Dresser
Julius Feldstein by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Feldstein
Maurota Getz by Lisa Agay Getz and Stan Getz
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Martha Kline by Joan Rodlich
Florence I. Kulwin by Mrs. Diane Dresser
George Kurtz by Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Orland
Lena Laska by Dr. Mark Laska
Ida Nowinson, Margie Farber, Lester Farber, Harry Schneider, David Nowinson, and Florence Schneider by Stephanie and Spencer Schneider
Mary Orland by Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Orland
Constance Reynolds by Mrs. Jack Schuster
George Schuchman by Alan Schuchman

PRAYERBOOK DEDICATION AND PUBLICATION FUND
In Loving Memory of:
Juliet Gotliby by Mr. Jerry Gotlib
Saul Greenberg by Mr. Harold Greenberg

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In Loving Memory of:
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MANN FAMILY EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER
In Loving Memory of:
Sheldon Andelson by Mr. and Mrs. Arlen Andelson
Phillip Bennett by Marilyn Ehman

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In Loving Memory of:
John Daum by Katherine and Nicholas Daum

BRAWERMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EAST LIBRARY FUND
In Loving Memory of:
Patricia Oppenheim Levin Rice and Arthur Levin by Marsha and Fredrick Levin

BRAWERMAN ENDOWMENT—NADINE BREUER
In Loving Memory of:
John Breuer by Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Breuer

MUSIC PUBLICATION FUND
In Honor of:
Seth and Sarah Ettinger and the birth of Ronen Ettinger by Rae Berger
Seth and Sarah Ettinger and the birth of Ronen Ettinger by Steven Grad
Rabbi Steven Leder and Cantor Don Gurney by Alan and Patricia Jasper

In Loving Memory of:
Alex Polland by Mrs. Jayne Behman
Alex Polland by Rae Berger
Samuel R. Leemon by Elaine Robinson

NEFESH FUND
In Honor of:
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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Porter
Mark Reynilb
Sharon and Sandor Romick
Marc and Michelle Rosenbach
Rabbi Beau and Ashley Shapiro
Ashley and Cory Wenter
Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Zimmerman

In Honor of:
Cantor Seth Ettinger by Samira Satyareh

In Loving Memory of:
Terry Bell by Marjorie Blatt
Etta C. Daniels and H. Cutler by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Daniels
Samuel Witz and Dan Elliott by Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Eskowitz

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Hinda Porter by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Porter

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In Loving Memory of:
Bernard Brown, Sr., by Mrs. Marilyn Brown

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Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Brookman
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In Honor of:
Rabbi Shapiro for officiating at the funeral of Elizabeth Fiesch by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Fiesch

KARSH FAMILY SOCIAL SERVICE CENTER FUND
Ms. Dorothy Dorskind
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Joan and Warren Kessler
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In Honor of:
Thu-Huong M. Duong by Jon Steiner
Isabel Eshel’s birthday by Mago E. Freedman and David B. Goldman
Nan Goodman’s birthday by Karen Kalish

In Loving Memory of:
Deanne Bloom by Marsha and Fredrick Levin
David Shaffer by Mrs. Leila Shaffer

WILSHIRE BOULEVARD TEMPLE CAMPS
Mr. and Mrs. David Lockman

In Honor of:
Rabbi Steve Leder for officiating at the memorial for Gail Breuer by Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Breuer
Gail T. Levy by Mr. and Mrs. Mark Stares

In Loving Memory of:
Sylvia and Alvin Miller by Barry and Suzy Handler

KEHILLAH COMMUNITY CAMP FUND
Mr. and Mrs. Chris Adelman
Jodi Barthold
Jaron Brooks
Paul Beck and Sally Chairman
Kathy and Mitchell Cohen
Mr. Jeff Condon
Craig and Carolyn Enenstein
Karen Davis

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We appreciate your generous donations. An $18 minimum donation is required for each acknowledgment card.
Welcome to New Temple members...

Jennifer Rubin and Jonathan Brier…Heather and Andrew Gitkin and their daughter, Madison…Kimberly and Adam Gottlieb and their children, Blake and Ella…Deborah and Ivan Kallick…Dawn and David Klein…Francine Lee and Lawrence Lindman and their daughters, Lauren and Lindsey…Andrea and Jason Lublin…Victoria and Michael Neir and their son, Andrew…Daniela Moreno and Gabriel Schiller…Gina and Joseph Warsavsky and their son, Dylan…

Congratulations to…

Brenda Levin-Abel and David Abel on the birth of their grandson, Andrew Sterling Abel…Marissa Berman and Yale Chasin on the birth of their daughter, Tovah Juliette Chasin…Amy and Brad Conroy on the birth of their daughter, Cate Conroy, to big brother and sisters, Teddy, Chloe, and Courtney, to aunt and uncle, Jennifer and Emmanuel Labranche, and to cousins, Brody, Nathan, and Sophia…Sarah and Cantor Seth Ettinger on the birth of their daughter, Ronen Eliyahu Ettinger…Stephanie and Daniel Heyman on the birth of their daughter, Emilia Clair Heyman, and to big brothers, Ben and Max…Denise and Judd Magilnick on the birth of their granddaughter, Helen Freda Magilnick…Jenna and Neil Parris on the birth of their daughter, Daisy Maxwell Parris, and to big brother, Milo…Alyson and Jason Rebibo on the birth of their son, Emerson Lewis Rebibo, and to big brother, Hudson…Jennifer and Farbod Shakouri on the birth of their son, Asher George Shakouri, and to big sister, Siena…Monique and Erik Vayntrub on the birth of their son, Theo DeLuca Vayntrub, and to big brothers, Oliver and Noah…

Condolences to…

Wendy and Eric Levine on the death of her grandmother, Bella Adler, and to great-grandchildren, Tyler and Alexi…Michael and Leslie Flesch on the death of his mother, Elizabeth Flesch, and to grandchildren, Warren and Benjamin…Friends and family of Jesse Gilman…Jay and Pamela Kaplan on the death of her father, Jerry Lawrence, and to grandchildren, Jaiden, Daylin, and Blake…J. Lampert Levy on the death of his wife, Joanne Minken-Levy…Friends and family of Ruth Romoff…Josh and Jacque Schechter on the death of his mother, Sharon Schechter, and to grandchildren, Jack, Nathaniel, and Vivienne…Helen and Gary Mayer on the death of her mother, Lotte Seelman…Linda and David Gittelson on the death of her father, Julio Wahl, and to grandchildren, Zoe, Preston, and Phoebe…Casey and Jordan Tabach-Bank on the death of her mother, Cathy Zubrin…

And to all immediate and extended family.

Wilshire Boulevard Temple Anniversary Milestones:

60 Years…Pearl Loeterman
45 Years…Stuart and Deborah Simmons
30 Years…Stephen and Dana Shager
20 Years…Erika J. Glazer…Richard and Shirley Hahn…Lawrence and Sandra Post…Steven and Leslie Siebert
15 Years…Simon and Lori Furie…Brian and Michelle Good…Ronald and Barbara Gordon…Lennard and Linda Thal
10 Years…Alya Elnekave…Gil and Lizzie Harari…Tony and Ladan Kalili…James and Kari Kramer…Jeremy and Tamara Miller…Jeffrey and Lauren Polak…David and Raina Rosenblum…Steve and Alyssa Weinberger
5 Years…Brad and Barbara Ballard…Jason and Stefanie Finger…Jonathan and Celine Hakakha…Elliot Hill and Rachel Wilder…Brett and Ashley Joffe…Matthew and Carolyn Negrin…Andrew and Christina Thau…Hanan Yochelman and Hofit De Levie

Have a great afternoon and support the Religious School Scholarship Fund in their one-and-only fundraiser of the year. Jason Mesches and his band’s festive, musical celebration is ideal for families, especially with younger children.

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JASON MESCHES & HIS BAND’S PURPOSEFUL, PITCH-PERFECT PURIM BENEFIT CONCERT

SUN., MARCH 4
1:30 P.M. - IRMAS CAMPUS
INDIVIDUAL TICKETS $18
**ISABELLA DAUM**

**MARCH 3, 2018**

Isabella is the daughter of Kairavi and Todd Daum; the granddaughter of the late Norma and Arthur Daum; Kanta and Ramesh Patel.

**Family Welcomers:** Madison Daum, sister; Alex Daum, brother.

**Tikkun Olam Project:** Isabella is participating in the Friendship Circle and working with Jewish children with special needs.

**Why was your Tikkun Olam project meaningful to you?** It’s meaningful because I’m brightening the lives of children by sharing with them activities that I love, especially arts and crafts.

**What do you commit to doing after you become a bat mitzvah to make the world a better place?** I want to continue volunteering with the Friendship Circle so I can check in on the friends I’ve made. I’d also like to introduce some of my new friends from middle school to the program, so that they can be part of it as well.

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**HANNAH SMITH**

**MARCH 3, 2018**

Hannah is the daughter of Margaret and Rob Smith; the granddaughter of Doris and the late James Bacon; Hildi Smith; Martin Smith and Linda Harris.

**Family Welcomers:** Annie Smith, sister; Ben Smith, brother.

**Tikkun Olam Project:** Hannah is holding an art drive to collect new art supplies, so that she can put together packages for the patients at Children’s Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA).

**Why was your Tikkun Olam project meaningful to you?** Art has been a great outlet for me. From my personal experience at CHLA, I know these kids are going through such difficult, scary times and can benefit from a great creative outlet like art.

**What do you commit to doing after you become a bat mitzvah to make the world a better place?** I have been very fortunate in my life, so I realize it’s about constantly considering those who need extra help in their lives. It feels so good when you make someone happy.

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**HUDSON ELIJAH GOLDMAN**

**MARCH 10, 2018**

Hudson is the son of Pamela and Jay Goldman; the grandson of Eddi Goldman and the late Dan Goldman; the grandnephew of Jane Godfry.

**Family Welcomer:** Jane Godfry, grandaunt.

**Tikkun Olam Project:** I like to draw, and I have my own style, so I started painting sneakers for myself. I had such an amazing response that I decided to paint some more shoes and other things to auction off for the flood and fire victims of Ventura County through United Way.

**Why was your Tikkun Olam project meaningful to you?** It was meaningful to me because I was helping people in need by doing something I love.

**What do you commit to doing after you become a bar mitzvah to make the world a better place?** I commit to continue donating to charities that help kids, even if I can only donate a little at a time, so that I can eventually make an impact.
ELLA LAUREN WEISS
March 17, 2018
Ella is the daughter of Julie and Rusty Weiss; the granddaughter of Linda and Gene Weiss; Mary Lou Hudson and the late David Hudson.
Family Welcome: Zach and Chad Weiss, brothers.
Tikkun Olam Project: I volunteer at the Friendship Circle, which provides Jewish children with special needs a wide range of social, educational, and Judaic experiences. I also volunteer at OPCC, preparing and distributing meals to homeless people in the community.

Why was your Tikkun Olam project meaningful to you? My Tikkun Olam project is meaningful because I love meeting and helping new people. It makes me feel good to know that I am making a difference in someone’s life and helping those in need.

What do you commit to doing after you become a bat mitzvah to make the world a better place? I will continue to volunteer at both the Friendship Circle of Los Angeles and at OPCC.

CHARLOTTE BEATRICE WALKER
March 17, 2018
Charlotte is the daughter of Tristen Walker and David Shuman; the granddaughter of Robert and Cynthia Rose; Alan Shuman and Lola Levoy; Susan Shuman; the late John Walker.
Family Welcome: Jacob and Nicholas Walker and Jeremy and Courtney Shuman, siblings.
Tikkun Olam Project: I volunteered for a week at the Best Friends Animal Sanctuary in Kanab, Utah, which is home to 1,600 homeless animals. I also collected recycling for six months and donated the money to Best Friends Animal Society and worked with No-Kill Los Angeles (NKLA) at various events in the city.

Why was your Tikkun Olam project meaningful to you? Animals are routinely abused, neglected, and left behind by cruel and careless humans. I love animals and want to do everything I can to help protect and care for them. The recycling collection not only raises money for homeless pets, it also helps protect the environment and sea life and birds.

What do you commit to doing after you become a bat mitzvah to make the world a better place? I will continue to care for and help protect the most vulnerable animals in our country, as well as the environment, making small changes every day to repair the world.

Tributes (continued)

MONICA AND EZEQUIEL FARCA
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Mr. and Mrs. Greg Foster
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Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Wallace
Mr. and Mrs. Ross Wein
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Eilen and Talia Lynn by family of Linda Lynn
Sammy Silver by David and Stephanie Edel
The Wein and Aaron family by Ms. Sharon Weil
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Gail B. Breuer by Lisa Agay Getz and Stan Getz
Fred Ehrlich by Bill and Susan Ehrlich
Benjamin Fedowitz by Mr. and Mrs. Jan Goren
Jess Gilman by Beth Kanofsky
Jessica M. Herron by Jay Herron and Dana Klein
Frank Kohn by Merle and Annie Weiner
Alvin Miller and S. Miller by Stephen Burdman and Adina Abramson
Irina Spais by Bill and Susan Ehrlich
Julia Wark by Dr. and Mrs. David Wark
Elayne and Walter Wenzt by Dr. and Mrs. David Wack

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In Honor of:
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Jeanette Agay, Milton Agay, Milton Blumer, Dorothy Miller, and Henrietta Blumer by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Agay
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Al and Sylvia Miller by Steve Sauer

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Jess Gilman by Mr. Joel Swedlove

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In Loving Memory of:
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Lotte Seelman by Peter and Rena Falk

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Thank you to those individuals and families who have chosen either to underwrite ($1,000) or sponsor ($500) a week of food.

If you are interested in joining this effort, please contact
Rabbi M. Beaumont Shapiro at (424) 208-8930 or email
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Mitzvah go’eret mitzvah—doing a mitzvah leads to doing more.

Thank you to Cantor’s Dei, Brooklyn Bagel, Noah’s Bagel, Larchmont, and Western Bagel West L.A., for their weekly donation of bread to our Food Pantries.
FRIDAY, MARCH 2
Shabbat Dabba
Rabbi Susan Goldberg and Rabbi Leder
6:00 p.m.

Soul Sounds Shabbat
Rabbi Nanus and Cantor Gurney
1:00 p.m.

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 3
Torah Study
Ki Tisa
Rabbi Lynn Brody Slome
9:00 a.m.

Shabbat Services
Bat Mitzvah of Isabella Daum
Rabbi Leder and Cantor Gurney
10:00 a.m.

Bat Mitzvah of Hannah Smith
Rabbi Goldberg and Cantor Ettinger
10:00 a.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 9
Youth Choir Shabbat Services
Rabbi Shapiro and Cantor Ettinger
6:00 p.m.

Rabbi Eshel and Cantor Gurney
6:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 10
Torah Study
Vayakhel and Pekudei
Rabbi Karen Fox
9:00 a.m.

Nefesh Shabbat Morning Service
Rabbi Goldberg
10:00 a.m.

Shabbat Services
Bat Mitzvah of Collin Field
Rabbi Shapiro and Cantor Gurney
10:00 a.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 16
Shabbat Services
Rabbi Shapiro and Cantor Ettinger
6:00 p.m.

Rabbi Eshel and Cantor Gurney
6:00 p.m.

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 17
Torah Study
Vayikra
Rabbi Lynn Brody Slome
9:00 a.m.

Shabbat Services
Bar Mitzvah of Collin Field
Rabbi Shapiro and Cantor Gurney
10:00 a.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 24
Torah Study & Kaddish
Tzav
Rabbi Lynn Brody Slome
9:00 a.m.

Shabbat Services
Bar Mitzvah of Dylan Bieber
Rabbi Shapiro and Cantor Ettinger
10:00 a.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 30
WBT Passover Service and Seder
Rabbi Nanus and Cantor Ettinger
6:00 p.m.

No services at Glazer Campus

SATURDAY, MARCH 31
Torah Study & Kaddish
Pesach 1
Rabbi Lynn Brody Slome
9:00 a.m.

No services at Glazer and Irmas Campuses