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WILSHIRE BOULEVARD TEMPLE



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Mask On! Mask Off!

ne of my favorite holidays to celebrate with our Wilshire
Boulevard Temple community is Purim.
Throughout all of our schools and programs, there's an excitement in the air.
"Who are you going to dress up as?" "I'm going to be Mordecai!" "I'm going to be Elmo!" "I'm going to be a princess!"
"I'm going to be Queen Esther!" We all have so much fun wearing our costumes, changing or hiding our identities for an afternoon. We get to use our imagination, pretending to be an alter ego, perhaps. And we do so in honor of the

holiday, in honor of our Queen Esther. As part of our story, Mordecai instructs Esther to hide her identity, the fact that she is a Jew, until she is called upon to save her people by risking her life and revealing herself.

While this is fun, an additional way to honor the holiday and Esther is to do the opposite of the norm. When we remove our masks, we remove that which hides our true selves from friends, family, those we love or those we would like to love. Perhaps, like Esther, we can take a risk and reveal ourselves. This is

clearly more difficult to do than finding the right costume. But it's potentially much more meaningful, to be sure. How many of us would like to tell that special someone how we feel? How many of us still have unfinished business with family or friends? How many of us yearn for a closer relationship with our spouse, partner, children or other family members?

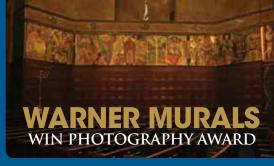
Well, Purim is the holiday to start. Take a risk, open up, reveal yourself and ultimately lead a more meaningful life.

Rabbi David Eshel

- In This Issue







THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

We find in the Torah portion called *Yitro* (named for Jethro, Moses' non-Jewish father-in-law) a simple religious truth. God begins the Ten Commandments with an introduction: "I am God...." According to some, this is all God

needs to teach us—God's existence. One might think of this pronouncement as the first commandment: "Know that I,

God, exist." The Torah understands the human need to question, and so offers more—the reminder that God freed us from slavery (idolatry, self-centeredness) not to instill in us a sense of guilt, but of responsibility.

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Responsibility for what? To live fully mindful of the divine commands that follow in the text. In our

worship service, the custom is to stand when we hear the Ten Commandments chanted—to stand as witnesses to God's eternal existence. To know, as Yehuda Aryeh Leib of Ger taught, that each of us finds the root of our soul in connecting to God.

To live each day, each moment, mindful of eternity—God's and ours.

Let us return to the Torah, to the divine, eternal commandments where we encounter over and over again the simple religious truth—God exists—and attach ourselves to eternity.

■ Cantor Don Gurney

THE TORAH
UNDERSTANDS THE
HUMAN NEED TO
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Plugged In

Plugged Into Torah

Rabbi Elazar ben Azariyah teaches in the Talmud: "Im eyn kemach, ein Torah; v'im ein Torah, ein kemach – If there is no sustenance, there is no Torah; if there is no Torah, there is no sustenance." The commentary on this line teaches us that this is not only about physical

there is no Torah, there is no sustenance." The commentary on this line teaches us that this is not only about physical sustenance and nourishment we receive from food but about spiritual sustenance we receive from living Judaism.

Our Bulletin arrives monthly, yet you can discover a great deal of information and learning on our website, more frequently and in greater depth. This month, I direct your attention to the summaries of each week's Torah portion for the month. It is our people's tradition to study Torah, its teachings and its values, for Torah is **the** core book of our

people, the roadmap of the origins of Judaism. Each week, we return to the cycle of teachings and stories in Torah, year in and year out, considering ancient interpretations as well as our own understandings. But before we can engage in this process, we have to know what is in Torah itself. Some stories you will recognize; others might be new to you. I encourage you to visit our website each week, to read and follow the unfolding of the Torah, so that together, we can embrace our legacy being 'Israel: the people who wrestle with the Divine'.

Cantor Susan Caro

If there is no sustenance, there is no Torah; if there is no Torah, there is no sustenance

For a summary of each Torah portion read during this month, please visit www.wbtla.org/news/item/109/news

Make a Mitzvah Happen on PURIM

This year, when your family comes to PURIMland, you have an opportunity to take part in *mishlo-ach manot*: the mitzvah of giving a food basket to someone on the day of Purim. The reason we participate in this practice is to ensure that everyone has enough food to eat during the festival of Purim. We deliver the food to increase love and friendship among Jews, thereby dismissing Haman's accusations that there was strife and dissention among us.

The mitzvah of *mishlo-ach manot* is traditionally carried out during the daylight hours of Purim, making this the perfect conclusion to our Purim celebration. We can enjoy the attractions, shows and food, but then make our way to the home of someone we know and give them the basket we made at PURIMland.

When you join us at PURIMland, you'll have the opportunity to assemble your basket, decorate it and write a card to the person to whom you are delivering the basket.

Purim can be so much fun for all of us, but it can also feel good to do something for someone else. Get together with your family this Purim and make a mitzvah memory together.



Eric Nicastro

Director of Teen Programs



PURIMland • Sunday, February 28 • 10:00 a.m. Buy tickets online and get more information! www.wbtla.org/events/item/288/worship_events



Adult Opportunities

If could teach only one thing as a rabbi, if we could do only one thing as a Temple, if we could devote ourselves to only one thing as individual Jews, what should that one thing be? The answer is simple—Torah study. If you want to grasp the essence of our values, our history, our ethical mandate, our hopes, dreams and responsibilities as Jews and as human beings—study the Torah. If you want to define real success in life—study the Torah. If you want a better marriage and better kids—study the Torah. If you want to be a better son or daughter to your aging parents—study the Torah. If you want more inner peace and more drive to change the world—study the Torah. If you want a community of like minded people to share ideas with—study the Torah. If you want to be a person who strives to be better, not just better off, study the Torah.

Join me every month in Century City or Downtown. Join Rabbi Fox for her Women's Torah Study Group. Study with Rabbi Eshel in his groups for parents with young children, or be with us every Shabbat morning. You do not have to know Hebrew. You do not have to attend every session. You do not need any prior knowledge of Torah. All you need to do is show up and encounter the wisdom and genius of our ancestors, who have so much to teach us about ourselves, our world, our families, our responsibilities, and our destiny. Be inspired, be enriched, be uplifted, be better.

Rabbi Steven Z. Leder

Torah

Torah Study with Rabbi Leder: Noon to 1:30 p.m. Century City: Feb 5, Mar 5 and May 21 Downtown: Feb 19, Mar 12 and May 14 RSVP: Ruth Stoch (213) 388-2401 rstoch@wbtla.org

Women's Torah Study with Rabbi Fox: Noon to 1:30 p.m.

1 Feb 5, 19, Mar 5 and 19, Apr 16, May 14

RSVP: Ruth Stoch (213) 388-2401 rstoch@wbtla.org

Torah Talk with Rabbi Eshel: 11:00 a.m. - Noon for Early Childhood Center and Elementary School

🕕 Feb 26, Apr 30, May 21

■ Feb 12, Mar 26, Apr 16, May 28 RSVP: Phyl Wallace (213) 388-2401 pwallace@wbtla.org

Shabbat morning Torah Study: 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 am.

Every Shabbat morning (no RSVP necessary)

Brawerman Elementary School



E ach Monday morning, the Brawerman community gathers in the Marcia Israel Chapel-Auditorium to begin the week with a prayer service. Kindergarteners and first graders join in song, accompanied by Marshal Voit, and share why they are thankful. Second and third graders recite prayers with Rabbi Ben-Naim that they are learning in class. Upper grade students lead their own morning service, offer personal reflections and read from the weekly Torah portion. Parents are invited and always beam with pride.

At Brawerman, we share a commitment to support the development of our children as caring, good Jewish human beings as well as scholars. Through prayer, students cultivate a spiritual dimension, enhance their knowledge and self-development, and think about philosophical issues.

We recently asked our students "Why do we pray?" Here are some of their answers...

- ■The prayers connect us to each other as we are standing, appreciating, thinking, watching and focusing." —Charlie
- When we pray, we reach out and speak our feelings to God." —Rayna
- We pray because it is a way to connect with and thank God." —Zachary
- ■We set aside time so we can clear out a little piece of our minds and make room to thank God, and think about what we have been given." —Lily
- II My favorite prayer is *Shema*. It means 'listen,' and we do not always listen. Sometimes we need to hear what is really important." —Carina
- ■You get closer to God." —Juliette



To learn more about Brawerman Elementary School, visit www.brawerman.org



Religious School "The Center for Learning & Engagement"

OZRIV

A long with our educators, clergy and staff, the *Ozrim*—teenage teaching assistants—are integral to the successful and smiling days we enjoy in the religious school.

Ozrim means "helpers" in Hebrew. These are teens who have chosen to return after their b'nai mitzvah to be role models and teach Judaism. They work in the classroom with educators and help them do anything that needs to be done. Sometimes these are tasks like setting up class and lessons, supervising kids or running impromptu games, music or discussions.

The *Ozrim* program is an assistant educator training program, in which teens spend a lot of time learning and developing their skills. They study in a regular seminar that introduces topics such as child development and pedagogic techniques, and they focus on how to recognize different learning styles in kids and work with them effectively. They also cover Jewish history

and religion, so the *Ozrim* further develop their own Judaism as well.

On special days, the *Ozrim* really step up and facilitate the students' activities. During last December's Chanukah Fun Day, for example, they taught art activities with Jenny Wunderlich, our art specialist, and worked in the kitchen with our parent volunteers.

In class, our *Ozrim* use what they're learning to work with the children. They tutor kids one-on-one, and help explain the senior educator's lessons. Students really look up to the *Ozrim*, excited that teens want to be with them in Sunday School.

■ David Green Director of Family Education

EmergingEarly Childhood Scientists

Sometimes the most engaging lesson can start with a simple question. During a class discussion of sea creatures, one child said his favorite is a puffer fish. "What makes a puffer fish puff?" the teacher asked.

This provocation inspired an entire discussion about what different animals do when they get scared. The children talked about how dinosaurs use their horns and teeth to protect themselves, and the teacher explained that this is a "structural animal defense." The students then gave examples of how butterflies don't have horns or teeth, but use their different colors to hide or "camouflage" themselves for protection. They learned that this is a "behavioral" defense.

The children realized that people also use both kinds of defenses: They might use their bodies to protect themselves or hide when they're scared. Then the class talked about what animals do to protect themselves from other things in the world.

After the children read Where Does the Butterfly Go When It Rains?, the teacher asked them to make "hypotheses" about the butterflies. Here are some of their responses:

"Maybe they could hide in a bus or a flower! And then fold the petals over them and their wings." —Mia M.

"A butterfly goes into a room and closes its door so it doesn't get wet." —Andrew

"It hides in the blueberry bushes. And the rain falls onto the leaf, but it doesn't fall underneath and the butterfly doesn't get wet." —Josh

This is emergent curriculum in action!



For more information about the Early Childhood Centers, visit www.wbtla.org/pages/ecc



Camps

WHAT A DIFFERENCE SIX MONTHS CAN MAKE!

ast July, the Wilshire Boulevard Temple Camps fundraising committee, chaired by trustees Teri Hertz and Rick Kurtzman, along with Marci Foster, Susan Adler Jannol, Paul Roberts, Steve Sauer and Dan Wolf, was challenged by the Harold Grinspoon Foundation to raise funds for the creation of a master plan. The challenge was to raise \$225,000 between July 1, 2009, and January 29, 2010; if we were successful, Grinspoon would match the funds at a ratio of 1:3. We quickly recognized the importance of this undertaking.

As of December 31, 2009, we have secured 35 gifts totaling \$265,225, qualifying us for a Grinspoon match of \$75,000 and bringing our total raised to date to \$340,225. This is the first time our camps have participated in a challenge grant program, and we're deeply grateful to the individuals and families who have already committed to the *Yisod Planning Fund* of Wilshire Boulevard Temple Camps.





We're very excited to enter into the next stage of this process. Over the next few months, we'll be identifying and engaging an architectural firm to guide us in the creation of our master plan. The master plan will serve as a guide to modernize and improve camp facilities, maximize the use of our property and improve the quality of our programs for campers and the community at large over the next quarter century.

We look forward to soliciting help, insight and expertise from our camp and Temple communities. This will ensure that we look with a critical eye at all of our facilities and programs to remain the preeminent summer camp program for the next generation of children.

> ■ Cheri Lauterbach Alumni & Development Director



For more information about our Camps, visit www.wbtcamps.org



UPDATED INTERPRETATION OF WARNER MURALS WINS PHOTOGRAPHY AWARD



The American Society of Media Photographers (ASMP) selected congregant Iris Schneider's photographic collage of the Warner Murals (above right) as one of the best works of 2009. During Piness Auditorium's recent makeover, Schneider worked with set designer Martyn Bookwalter to develop a "translight" backdrop for the stage. It was also used at the Wiltern Theater for High Holy Day services in September.

The project was a big challenge for Schneider, who has spent most of her years working as a photojournalist, including more than 25 years for the *Los Angeles Times*. Although she undertook a personal project to faithfully document the murals, transforming them into an art collage pushed her to develop new skills.

"The piece was a true collaboration and an example of two visions coming together," Schneider said. "When I heard that the Temple was remodeling Piness, I envisioned somehow using my mural photographs on the stage. But Martyn's vision was very different—to cut and layer the images. As a journalist, I had always made a point to avoid this. I never even crop my photographs, so this was a real departure into different territory."



The result is a dramatic re-creation of our historic murals, which are still unique in the Jewish world eighty years after their debut. When the sanctuary was built in 1929, the Warner brothers commissioned artist Hugo Ballin, who was working as a set designer at the movie studio they founded, to paint the story of the Jewish people. At the time, it was a stunning deviation from tradition.

The second commandment—*Thou shall not make any graven images*—has created a longstanding Jewish tradition of avoiding the use of figurative images in synagogue art. But Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin, who spent nearly 70 years at the Temple, was a leader in Reform Judaism and a forward thinker. He believed that modern Jews weren't going to worship idols, and that modern synagogue architecture needed "more warmth and mysticism."

Over time, the murals have lost some of the brilliance of their original color and are peeling and delaminating from the walls. Thanks to the generosity of the Trudy Louis Trust, which has made a substantial grant to the Temple's Building Lives Project, the murals will be completely cleaned and restored over the next two years.

To this day, we believe that the Warner Murals remain the only artwork of its kind in the Jewish world. In commissioning the backdrop for Piness, the Temple has paid homage to the vision of Rabbi Magnin and created yet another beautiful piece of art for current and future generations to enjoy.

Gina Lobaco

Development Director



To learn more about the developments at the historic Temple Campus visit buildinglives.wbtla.org or contact Gina Lobaco at globaco@wbtla.org

COFFEE WITH CAROL: TOILET LEARNING

Monday, February 2, 2010 **●** 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, February 3, 2010 1 9:30 a.m.

Come join us for an open discussion with Early Childhood Centers Director, Carol Bovill. This program is open to all parents in the Nursery School and Parenting Center. You are invited to share your concerns and experiences, problem-solve with our Director and take a moment just for yourself.

(i) Caroline Sandman, csandman@wbtla.org or (310) 445-1280 x133



BRAWERMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: CRUISING INTO THE NEXT DECADE

Saturday, February 6, 2010 7:00 p.m.

Peterson Automotive Museum



i Jill Gorman, jqorman@brawerman.org or (310) 445-1280 x111



BEYOND KOSHER HEALTHY EATING

Thursday, February 11, 2010

1 7:00 p.m.

Come and learn the answers to these questions and more as Dr. Julie Zieve dives into the ugly but vital truth about food and what it's doing to our bodies.

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PARENTING SPEAKER SERIES WITH SUSAN STIFFELMAN 🚄

Thursday, February 18, 2010 1 7:00 p.m.

Susan Stiffelman is a family therapist who has shown thousands of parents how to be the cool, confident "Captain of the

Ship" in their children's lives. She blends practical, proven strategies with crystal clear insights into what motivates kids to cooperate and connect. Her book, Parenting Without Power Struggles is an extraordinary tool for transforming day to day parenting life.

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NEXT DECADE

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IT'S PURIM IN MOTOWN 🚄

Saturday, February 27, 2010

1 7:00 p.m.

Can't Help Yourself—you just have to come to Wilshire Boulevard Temple for the Purim shpiel! Ain't No Mountain High Enough to keep you away! Join with congregants, staff and clergy for our Megillah reading and Purim shpiel. Great fun for adults; families are welcome.

Phyl Wallace, pwallace@wbtla.org, (213) 388-2401 x269



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Sunday, February 28, 2010

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Join us for the Religious School's celebration of Purim. It's a tradition like no other and our PURIMland will once again

deliver a festive day of entertainment and fun for your entire family. We will have magic, music, food, games and attractions for children of all ages. And don't forget that we will be featuring a highly entertaining Megillah reading.

i Eric Nicastro, enicastro@wbtla.org, (213) 388-2401

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Schedule of Shabbat Worship & Study

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Shabbat Service Rabbi Eshel and Cantor Caro 0 6:00 p.m.

Soul Sounds Shabbat Rabbi Fox, Cantor Gurney and the Band

1 6:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6

Torah Study

Exodus Yitro 18:1-20:26 Jonathan Freund

1 9:00 a.m.

Shabbat Services

Rabbi Eshel and Cantor Gurney 10:30 a.m.

Rabbi Fox and Cantor Caro 10:30 a.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12

Shabbat Services

Rabbi Eshel and Cantorial Soloist Ellen Sugerman

€:00 p.m.

Rabbi Leder and Cantor Gurney **1** 6:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Torah Study EXODUS Mishpatim 21:1-24:18 Rabbi Sara Goodman

🕡 9:00 a.m.

Shabbat Services

Rabbi Eshel and Cantorial Soloist Ellen Sugerman

10:30 a.m.

Rabbi Leder and Cantor Gurney 10:30 a.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Shabbat Service

Rabbi Leder, Cantor Caro and Adult Choir

1 6:00 p.m.

Soul Sounds Shabbat

Rabbinic Intern Beau Shapiro, Cantor Gurney and the Band

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Torah Study & Service Combined EXODUS Terumah 25:1-27:19 Cantor Caro

1 9:00 a.m.

Tot Shabbat

Cantor Gurney

1 9:00 a.m.

Shabbat Morning Minyan

Rabbi Fox and Rabbinic Intern Beau Shapiro

1 9:15 a.m.

Shabbat Service

Rabbi Leder and Cantor Gurney

10:30 a.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Shabbat Services

Rabbi Leder and Cantor Caro 0 6:00 p.m.

Rabbi Fox and Cantor Gurney Youth Choir

1 6:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Torah Study

EXODUS Tetzaveh 27:20-30:10 Rabbinic Intern Beau Shapiro

1 9:00 a.m.

Tot Shabbat

Rabbinic Intern Erin Mason

1 9:00 a.m.

Shabbat Services

Rabbi Eshel and Cantor Gurney

10:30 a.m.

Rabbi Fox and Cantor Caro

10:30 a.m.

Motown Purim

1 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

PURIMland

10:00 a.m.





