

# HAPPENINGS AROUND TOWN

**•Urth Caffe Founders To Be Honored Downtown Tonight**

Beverly Hills residents Shalom and Jilla Berkman, co-founders and owners of the Urth Caffe on South Beverly Drive, will be honored tonight with the Arts District Community Luminary award at their downtown Urth Caffe location. The Berkman's are being saluted for their contributions to the Arts District.

**•Chamber's Annual Meeting, Business Excellence/Installation Gala June 1 At Beverly Hilton**

Wednesday, June 1, will be a busy day for the Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce at The Beverly Hilton.

The chamber's annual meeting is set from 3 to 4 p.m. This will be followed from 5 p.m. by the Business Excellence & Installation Gala honoring Barron Hilton and the Hilton family plus other awardees: Sprinkles Cupcakes, Sheridan In-Home Care, The Cheese Store of B.H. and Mind Therapy Center.

Bobby Shriver will emcee.

For information, call 310-248-1000 or visit [www.beverlyhillschamber.com/businessexcellence](http://www.beverlyhillschamber.com/businessexcellence).

**•Temple Emanuel's Laura Geller Named Among America's Most Influential Rabbis By Newsweek**

In what Newsweek calls "an important snapshot of those at

the forefront of American Jewish leadership," Laura Geller, senior rabbi at Temple Emanuel on Burton Way, has been named to the magazine's list of the "Top 50 Influential Rabbis in America."

Bruce Corwin, board chair at Temple Emanuel congratulated her on this honor, saying: "We have always known that our spiritual leader, Rabbi Geller was extraordinary."

Temple Emanuel of Beverly Hills is a multi-cultural Reform congregation, established in 1937. Visit: [www.tebh.org](http://www.tebh.org).

**•Jill Black To Receive Beyond Shelter's Inspiration Award**

Jill Black of Beverly Hills will be receiving Beyond Shelter's Inspiration award on Sunday, June 12, at "Sunday Brunch with Jill" to be held in The Mark For Events, 9320 W. Pico Blvd. The daughter of Joyce and Stanley Black is being recognized for her



Jill Black

efforts to improve the health and welfare of children and their families in the L.A. area.

She is director of her parents' family

foundation; on the board of Beyond Shelter, Shane's

Inspiration, Beit T'Shuvah, and Los Angeles Land; and also involved with The Jewish Federation, Vista Del Mar, and Jewish Vocational Services.

Founded in 1988, Beyond Shelter's core program, "Housing First" helps homeless families and children move from shelters into permanent, affordable, rental housing in neighborhoods located throughout L.A. County. It has helped more than 5,000 homeless move back into permanent housing with an 85 percent success rate.

For information on a "Sunday Brunch with Jill" and Beyond Shelter, call Maxine Moshay at 213-252-0772 or go to the website: [www.beyondshelter.org](http://www.beyondshelter.org).

**•Women For Women Hula Hoop Fundraiser Saturday**

Women for Women International is staging "Hoop for Hope" to assist women in the Congo from 10 a.m. to noon tomorrow at Coldwater Canyon Park, 1100 N. Beverly Dr. Sponsors of the hula hoop fundraiser are attempting to set a new record for most people hooping simultaneously in one venue in the U.S.A.

There is a \$5 registration fee, but additional donations are being solicited. Students will receive 3 hours of community