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KEHILLAT MA'ARAV'S
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**MAZEL TOV TO
CHASE & CODY
KLEVENS!**



**EVENT PHOTOS:
CHANUKAH**

**L'CHAIM:
IT'S A BOY!**

**IN MEMORY:
MORRIS HORWITZ
GEORGE WOLFBURG**

**LET'S EAT:
CLASSIC CHOLENT**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY *YOM HULEDET SAMEACH!*

Carol Abrams
Michael Amster
Robert Bernstein
Bernard Bienstock
Oscar Bolanos
Sharona Daghighian
Louis Diamant
Robert Ditchey
Joshua Dunn

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Benedetta Guetta
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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY *MAZEL TOV!*

Leon & Sharon Janks

39th anniversary

Dr. Robert Brook & Dr. Jackie Kosecoff

41st anniversary

Jonathan & Area Kramarsky

21st anniversary

Neville & Fay Pimstone

60th anniversary

MEET OUR B'NEI MITZVAH

CODY AND CHASE KLEVENS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2023

We are Cody (right) and Chase (left) Klevens. We are fraternal twins. If you're wondering, Cody is 6 minutes older. We love hanging out with our friends at the park but also gaming with them online. We also enjoy going to the movies with friends. On Sundays we play tennis with our dad and our coach. We both play piano. We also really enjoy spending time with our cousins in Oregon and Berkeley.

We are currently in 8th grade at Paul Revere Middle School. Next year we will be going to Pali High.

Thanks for coming to our B'nei Mitzvah. We worked hard to prepare, and we are happy to share the experience with you and each other.



WELCOME TO THE FAMILY, LITTLE ONE!



Mazel Tov!

To Michael Sopher and Debra Vilinsky, on the birth of their grandson, **Alby Sopher-Johnson**, born on Saturday, December 31, 2022, in Portland, Maine.

Alby is the son of their daughter, Ariana, and her husband, Peter Johnson.

CHANUKAH CELEBRATION AND GOOFY GIFT SWAP

Tuesday, December 20



Thanks for joining us!

Morris Horwitz March 24, 1908 — January 20, 1998

Remembered by his adoring daughter, Susie Yuré

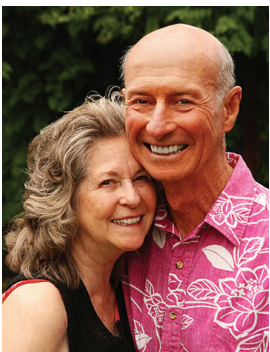
Morris Horwitz was a generous, kind, humble man with quick-witted one-liners, who was devoted to family, friends, Judaism, education and sports. Over the years, people have expressed gratitude for his dedication to Congregation Beth Sholom in San Francisco, that created a new office of 3rd VP, which only he filled. It was here that he was respected as chair of many committees, mentor of Bar Mitzvah students, leader of daily morning minyans, and funder of the Horwitz Family Education Center. With his vision, he helped to create a city-wide school for post B'nai Mitzvah age students to continue their Jewish education. He was proud to help start and serve as the Board Chair of a residential home for young adults with developmental disabilities in Napa.

There are stories about his love of sports and that he followed the NY Giants to San Francisco. There, he began Golden Gate Linoleum Company, a successful business where he was known for his high-quality work in private homes and new developments.

Growing up in Brooklyn and spending summers in the Catskills at his family B&B and later as a camp counselor, this man gave to those less fortunate, often anonymously. He valued what you had to say, as though you were the only person in the room. Although he is now gone 25 years, his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren have known him to be wise, patient, encouraging and a mensch.



George Wolfberg April 22, 1938 — February 5, 2020



At the time of his passing, George Wolfberg had been married to his wife, Diane, for 55 years. He always gave her pink and white carnations on their anniversary.

Born in Los Angeles, George was an All-City swimmer and a member of the student council at Los Angeles High School. He received a degree in Political Science from UCLA in 1961, where he was a member of the swim team and a staff writer for the Daily Bruin.

He earned a master's degree in public administration from USC in 1971. He also served his country in the Air National Guard.

Wolfberg's career was dedicated to the City of Los Angeles, beginning as a public pool lifeguard. At his retirement in 1996, he was a Chief Administrative Analyst in the City Administrative Office.

Wolfberg considered one of his career highlights to be oversight of the City's selective contracting policy to bring pressure upon South Africa to end apartheid, for which Nelson Mandela came to Los Angeles to specifically give thanks. Wolfberg also helped prepare the City's successful bid to host the 1984 Olympics.

Wolfberg was responsible for the birth of women's Olympic cycling. The 2020 Tokyo Olympics will feature eleven women's cycling events. George was also part of the committee working for years to secure the 1994 World Cup Soccer for Los Angeles and traveled to the World Cup in Italy in 1990 to research facility needs.

Family and friends knew Wolfberg as something of a renaissance man. An avid chef who could recreate international feasts, he was also a ceramic artist at the Venice Pot Shop (a cooperative) as well as a Malibu Surfrider Beach longboard surfer in the 1960s and 1970s.

He and Diane moved to Santa Monica Canyon in Pacific Palisades in

1972. Wolfberg served on the boards of both the Pacific Palisades Community Council and the Santa Monica Canyon Civic Association. More than being merely representative of the community's requests, George had a vision and an adherence to the creation of a public park that is now open as of December 10, 2022, and serves all Angelenos. He advocated for greater public access to beaches via this City park, including a bridge over PCH to link the beach bike path to the park for pedestrians and cyclists.

Mike Bonin summed up Wolfberg's staggering accomplishments last year, telling an audience at the park dedication: "I, the community, and the City of Los Angeles that George served so damn well for so damn long, love him. I am so deeply indebted to him for his leadership and his service — and for the manner in which he led and served."

Andrew Wolfberg, George's nephew, told the nearly 200 residents attending the ceremony, "This park is an endearing legacy for all of you." Andrew urged residents to "get off the sidelines" and follow in his uncle's footsteps. "He took great pride in his volunteer efforts and worked to get others to follow him," Wolfberg said. "Find an organization you want to help and tell them Uncle George sent you."

With dignity, boundless energy and enduring optimism, George embodied what any citizen and activist can achieve. He strove to leave everything he touched better than he found it. We invite you to do the same, and to enjoy a visit at George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon.



L: Diane and George's children, Michael and Anya Wolfberg;
R: Councilmember, Mike Bonin and David Wolfberg



January 7

Bess Abrams, mother of Chuck Abrams
Rebekah Gusse, grandmother of Sara Barnard
Esther Sack Kass, grandmother of Eileen Cohen
Fritzi Erdosi, mother of Thomas Erdosi
Zelma Kramer, mother of Jill Gotlieb
Richard Maibaum, father of Matthew Maibaum
Sandor Fischl, father of Judy Moadeb
Lena Albert, grandmother of Susan Greenberg Norman
Bernard Pimstone, brother of Neville Pimstone
James Bennett Osterman, brother of Kathie Rose
Rose Rosenblatt, grandmother of Ellis Rosenblatt and Sandy Rosenblatt
Esther Rosenfeld, mother-in-law of Gail Rosenfeld
Doris Posner, mother of Judy Shapiro
Sheldon Spector, husband of Judy Spector
Harlen Hurwitz, father of Susan Sperling
David Stern, uncle of Linda Topal
Rose Stern, grandmother of Linda Topal
Thelma Alpern, aunt of Randy Ziegler

January 14

Sharon Rosenthal, cousin of Lynn Beliak
Harry Segal, grandfather of Lolly Bennett
Moiz Mesulam, grandfather of Gina Epstein
Anna Feldman, mother of David Feldman
Morris Freeman, father of Izzy Freeman
Morris Goldberg, father of Elliot Goldberg
Alvin Stover, uncle of Gaylen Grody
Lisa Hall, step-daughter of Brana Hall
Stephen Klevens, father of David Klevens
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Gertrude Lowis, grandmother of Roslyn Menitoff
Joe Weinberg, grandfather of Don Morris
Martin Peters, father of Joseph Peters
Aaron Osterman, grandfather of Kathie Rose
Robert Kohler Osterman, father of Kathie Rose
Bernard Samson, father of Gary Samson
Samuel Tamaroff, father of Tammy Steinsapir
Morris Horwitz, father of Susie Yuré

January 21

Shraga Amster, father of Michael Amster
Abe Ballonoff, husband of Edith Ballonoff and father of Lynn Beliak
Hannah Goldsmith, mother of Charley Goldsmith
Gabriel Rosenthal, father of Marian Goldsmith
Sheila Hope Hirschberg, mother of Mark Hirschberg
Eva Kramer, mother of Dorine Kramer and Beverly Schwartz and grandmother of Andrea Jussim
Judith Baar Resnick, mother of Joanne Klein
Lea Kramarsky, mother of Jonathan Kramarsky
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Karl Peterson, father of April Peterson
Sigmund Posner, father of Judy Shapiro
Abraham Gross, grandfather of Shelly Vedres
Yehudit Soltz, mother-in-law of Michael Wyte
Wendy Zeitlin, mother of Sharon Zeitlin

January 28

Naomi Louis, mother of Carol Abrams
Samuel Bortnik, grandfather of Mathew Averbukh
Bertha Marcus, step-mother of Judy Baker
Hy Baker, brother of Manny Baker
Rhia Wolfe, mother of Lolly Bennett
Harold Glick, father of Susan Bronstein
David Fischbein, uncle of Alan Fein
Esther Gura, mother of Dennis Gura
Arthur J. Lewis, brother of Teri Lewis
Ethel Menitoff, mother of Michael Menitoff
Meyer Simon Olken, father of Sherwin Olken
Audrey Lou Sagerman, mother of Nancy Pearl
Benjamin Reff, father of Albert Reff
Shirle Fleck, aunt of Kathie Rose
Lillian Turk, aunt of Shirley Strom
Arthur Swerdloff, father of Lauren Swerdloff
Thomas Vedres, husband of Shelly Vedres
George Wolfberg, brother of Ted Wolfberg and husband of Diane Wolfberg
Pamela Paul, mother of Jennifer Wolfberg

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Richard Maibaum, father of Matthew Maibaum, by Matthew Maibaum



Let's Eat!

**Warm up this
winter with a
hot cholent!**

Cook Time: 8hrs / Prep Time: 10mins / Servings: 8

INGREDIENTS:

2 yellow onions, chopped
2 small potatoes, cubed
2 pounds beef stew meat, cubed
2-4 marrow bones, optional
1 cup pearl barley
1/2 cup kidney beans
1 tablespoon paprika
1 teaspoon cumin
1 teaspoon turmeric
1/2 teaspoon chili powder
2 tablespoons honey
1 kishka, optional
3-4 cups of water
Salt and pepper to taste

DIRECTIONS:

1. Place the onions and potatoes in the bottom of the slow cooker.
2. Top with the beef stew meat and marrow bones. Sprinkle the meat with salt and pepper. Add the barley and kidney beans, then sprinkle on the paprika, cumin, turmeric and chili powder.
3. Drizzle the top of the cholent with honey, top with the kishka, then pour the water over the top to cover the beans. Cover the slow cooker and cook on low heat overnight, or for at least 8 hours.

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