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KEHILLAT MA'ARAV'S
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WELCOME:
MYRIAM COHEN

IN MEMORY OF:
ELLIOT SCHWARTZ
ABRAHAM BIENSTOCK



HAPPY BIRTHDAY *YOM HULEDET SAMEACH!*

AUGUST

Matthew Averbukh
Glen Eisen
Lucy Fein
Jennifer Glaser
Lew Goldberg
Susan Greenberg Norman

Jeff Kravitz
Brenda Ligorsky
William Lippman
Debbie Mackler Fisher
Matthew Maibaum
Fern Margolis

Bernice Morris
David Packer
Carmella Pardo
Beth Ricanati
Minda Salberg
Judy Shapiro

Rachel Shapiro
Steve Shapiro
Michael Sopher
Mary Jo Wilzig

SEPTEMBER

Tamara Bernstein
Rahel Bogale
Jacolyn Bron
Ariel Burstein
Melanie Fine
Regina Cohen

Sam Cohen
Alyssa Ganezer
Barbara Goldstone
Dana Hagooli
Dorine Kramer
Alan Lenkin

Alec Levenson
Tamara Levenson
Simone Matzer
Leah Mendelsohn
Judy Moadeb
Heather Moses

Gail Neiman
Nancy Peters
Steven Popper
David Ricanati
David Shapendonk
Debra Vilinsky

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY *MAZEL TOV!*

AUGUST

Bernie & Beverly Bienstock
Mitch & Judy Blake
Oscar Bolanos & Dana Hagooli
Michel & Jacolyn Bron
Les & Judy Eber
Harold & Celeste Erdley
Alan & Lucy Fein
David & Alyssa Ganezer
Dennis & Kathie Gura
Shaul & Anat Kuba
Ness & Judy Moadeb
Jonathan & Heather Moses
Sandy & Loana Rosenblatt
Alan & Susan Sperling

51st anniversary
40th anniversary
17th anniversary
11th anniversary
57th anniversary
71st anniversary
38th anniversary
31st anniversary
40th anniversary
34th anniversary
55th anniversary
27th anniversary
27th anniversary
50th anniversary

SEPTEMBER

Howard & Elaine Behnken
Bernie & Susan Bronstein
Sam & Sharona Daghighian
Joshua & Sumena Dunn
Jay Fisher & Deborah Mackler Fisher
Mark & Connie Goldberg
Brad Manning & Elyse Singer
Jordon Marks & Ashley Salomon
Sherwin & Elaine Olken
Gary & Laurie Samson
Robert Schechter & Elisabeth Klock-Schechter
Eric & Sharon Steiglitz
Skip & Nancy Usen

28th anniversary
39th anniversary
23rd anniversary
23rd anniversary
24th anniversary
52nd anniversary
40th anniversary
10th anniversary
60th anniversary
50th anniversary
31st anniversary
23rd anniversary
15th anniversary

WELCOME TO KM!

MEET OUR NEW PROGRAMMING AND ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR MYRIAM COHEN



Dear Kehillat Ma'arav Congregants,

My name is Myriam Cohen and I am so excited to be your Programming and Administrative Coordinator.

I was born in Casablanca, Morocco, and moved to Montreal, Canada when I was seven years old, with my immediate and extended family. I attended Concordia University and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts, specializing in Early Childhood Education. I taught a few years, got married and had two beautiful boys, Daniel and Joshua. We moved around a few times for work and then settled down in Michigan where I have been for the last 21 years. I never thought I would be moving. Never say never, right?

Ten years ago, I started working for Jewish Senior Life of Michigan at Meer Apartments in West Bloomfield, MI as their Life Enrichment Coordinator, and have loved every minute of it. Enriching the lives of our seniors was my goal and I believe that the goal was met. Daniel moved to Los Angeles and met his future bride, the love of his life. Joshua then also moved to Los Angeles. And this is where the next chapter of my life starts.

I applied for the position at Kehillat Ma'arav with Kate Flanagan and felt an immediate connection. I flew out to California and met Kate, Rabbi Gotlieb and more staff and knew right away that this would be my next chapter.

While joining you for Shabbat services, I saw the connection you have between each other and the connection Rabbi Gotlieb has with you. Kehillat Ma'arav is not just a Synagogue; it is a community.

Thank you for trusting me to enrich your lives. I look forward to many years with you.

Warm Regards,

Myriam Cohen

Snapshots!

The MAGIC of KM
Sunday, August 27







IN MEMORY OF

ELLIOT SCHWARTZ

Remembered by Beverly Schwartz

My husband, Elliot Schwartz, always considered himself to be the luckiest of men. Born in Los Angeles in 1935 to loving parents, he grew up in a very Jewish environment. He was the big brother to two siblings and had an enviable childhood, complete with an active group of friends in Hebrew school. After college, with a strong business and accounting major, he joined the National Guard and then came home to work with his dad in the family business. He met and married Beverly, and in their fifty-three years together, had three children and five grandchildren, all of them the loves of his life.

Elliot was a man of great integrity, a loving, wise and generous man.

Throughout his adult life, people would come to him for emotional and financial support and advice which he freely gave when asked. He was loved and respected by many and was a born leader, delighting in activities such as the Masons where he was Master of Menorah Lodge, and the synagogue where he was an active member. He had many friends and derived much comfort from them in his later days. He was a talented artist and started painting in oils in his early fifties. Elliot loved holiday dinners and parties and schmoozing with friends and family. He had a full life and he is sorely missed.



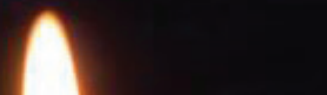
ABRAHAM BIENSTOCK *Remembered by Abraham Bienstock*



My father, Abraham Bienstock, or Abe as everyone called him, was born in a hospital and raised on the Lower East Side of Manhattan. It's significant that he was actually born in a hospital since his older four siblings survived home births. Abe grew up very poor, as his father toiled in menial jobs, including working as a seltzer bottle filler. His father's life style was quite typical for an immigrant from Galicia – very pious and observant. It was because of his father's effort to transfer the same life-style to his son, that Abe later in life became a cultural Jew, attending synagogue only to celebrate Bar Mitzvahs and weddings. He was drafted into the Army as a young man and served in the Battle of the Bulge, where he was wounded in the arm by shrapnel. He was involved in liberation of a least one concentration camp, but never discussed the experience in much detail as it was so horrific to witness. During the war on leave in Toledo, Ohio, my father met my mother at a USO-sponsored Jewish community Thanksgiving dinner hosted by his future mother-in-law. He had a wonderful relationship with her and enjoyed conversing in Yiddish, much to the frustration of my mother whose understanding of Yiddish was minimal.

As a self-made man, my father was very proud of his success. When he first came to Los Angeles, he worked in the produce section of a grocery store. He enjoyed the experience and was called "frijole-

stock" by his Mexican co-workers. Wanting a better life, he went to night school at USC and became an accountant. He was very well liked by his clients, with whom he often socialized. Many paid him with goods, including jewelers who often gave him jewelry for my mother. He worked hard as an accountant, and usually celebrated the end of an exhausting tax season with a trip to Las Vegas. Always a very generous man, he eagerly picked up the check when he dined with friends and other members of the family. In fact, to this day, one of his nephews who inherited this trait calls the practice "doing an Uncle Abe."



August 5

Betty Weinberger, mother of Ruth Barnett
Roselyn Senkfor, aunt of Lynn Beliak
Ilona Engel Fuchs, mother of Marta Fuchs
Joseph Haleva, uncle of Larry Israel
Diana Frenkel, friend of Alec & Tamara Levenson
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Marsha Mandi Pastorelli, sister of Sandie Sampson
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Margot Rechnitz, aunt of David Wilzig

August 12

Laura Eisenstein, sister of Marian Goldsmith
Sidney Gotlieb, father-in-law of Dorita Gotlieb and grandfather of Rabbi Michael Gotlieb
Dorothy Elkind, mother of Joan Grossman
Frederick Klein, father of Joanne Klein
Amram Kuba, father of Shaul Kuba
Betty Steinberg, grandmother of Bill Lippman, Tamara Bernstein, and Andrew Lippman
Sol Wallock, grandfather of Lori Papernik
Bernard Yudelevicz, father of Maury Pearl
Bea Ostrowsky, mother of Linda Topal
Nancy Stalmaster, remembered by Shelly Vedres

August 19

David Lawrence Albert, son of Elaine Albert
Helen Irene Albert, mother-in-law of Elaine Albert
Leslee T. Winsberg, mother of Sara Barnard
Rabbi Martin A. Ballonoff, brother of Lynn Beliak
Chana Gitel Saltzman Segal, grandmother of Lolly Bennett
Sylvia Betty Berg, mother of Rachel Berg
Abraham Bienstock, father of Bernard Bienstock
Doris Paige DeHovitz, aunt of Dan DeHovitz
Ester Baruh, grandmother of Gina Epstein
Margot Furst, mother of Laurie Furst
Ilene Gotlieb, daughter of Dorita Gotlieb and sister of Rabbi Michael Gotlieb
Alice Berkowitz, aunt of Marsha Lewin Latiner
Betty Margolis, mother of Mayer Margolis
Rena Goodman, sister of Sid Meltzner
Emanuel Morris, husband of Bernice Morris
Julie Osterman, grandmother of Kathie Rose
Abraham Mund, grandfather of Ellis Rosenblatt and Sandy Rosenblatt
Elliot Schwartz, husband of Beverly Schwartz and father of Andrea Jussim

Alma Hofstadter, mother of Ellen Shapiro
Abraham Sperling, father of Alan Sperling
Abraham Epstein, father of Shirley Strom and grandfather of Elaine Behnken and Joel Strom
Adam Goldstein, nephew of Shelly Vedres
Eric Paul, father of Jennifer Wolfberg
Ruth Kaphan, aunt of Linda Zwang-Weissman

August 26

Irwin Hearst, father of Elaine Albert
Doris Ballonoff, aunt of Lynn Beliak
Irving N. Segal, uncle of Lolly Bennett
Gary Michael Coutin, brother of Israel Coutin
David Freeman, brother of Izzy Freeman
David Hoffman, father of Paul Hoffman
Harvey Olken, brother of Sherwin Olken
Jenny Olken, sister-in-law of Sherwin Olken
Samuel Popper, father of Steven Popper
Marcus Sassoon Sopher, father of Michael Sopher
Marie Saloshin, grandmother of Holly Strom
Fay Turetsky, stepmother of Carol Turetsky
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September 2

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Shlomo Shemesh, father of Avi Shemesh
Solomon Spector, father-in-law of Judy Spector
Abraham Weinshienk, father of Roselynn Wolfberg

September 9

Ruby Belman, mother of Michael Belman
Irving Dunn, father of Joshua Dunn
Harry Fein, father of Alan Fein
Boris Feldman, father of David Feldman
Sylvia Rosenthal, mother of Marian Goldsmith
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Lilli Wilzig, mother of David Wilzig

September 16

Blanche Korman, mother-in-law of Alan Alter and grandmother of Valerie Alter
Rose Binen, grandmother of Ruth Barnett
Sari Joyce Bennett, daughter of Lolly Bennett
Ira Fistell, partner of Rachel Berg
Stuart Perelman, cousin of Rachel Berg
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Jack Usen, father of Skip Usen
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September 23

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Maurice Kurtz, husband of Marcia Kurtz
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Stan Ziegler, father of Randy Ziegler
Bill Bleavins, father of Susan Ziegler
Anne Chernoff, mother of Judy Zucker

September 30

Yetta Baker, mother of Manny Baker
Leonard Atkins, uncle of Lynn Beliak
Sally Segal Spielberg, mother of Lolly Bennett
Michael Bono, husband of Valerie Zim Bono
JoAnn Guthman, mother of Diane Cancino
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Judy Spector's birthday, by Judy & Les Eber,
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In honor of

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Tammy Steinsapir

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David & Beth Ricanati

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Carol Turetsky

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Mazel Tov to

Arthur Stein on his upcoming birthday, by
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Masha Savitz Keys on her appointment as Interim
Education Director, by Marla Rubin & David Shapendonk

In memory of

Elliot Schwartz, husband of Beverly Schwartz and
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Mazel tov to

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Thank you to

Rabbi Gotlieb, by Barbara Oseroff

We hope you will join us for the High Holidays!



Erev Rosh Hashanah: Friday, September 15 @ 7pm
Rosh Hahshanah Day 1: Saturday, September 16 @ 9am
Rosh Hahshanah Day 2: Sunday, September 17 @ 9am
Kol Nidre: Sunday, September 24 @ 6pm
Yom Kippur: Monday, September 25 @ 9am
- Mincha @ 4:30pm; Neilah @ 5:30pm

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