Every sunrise is an invitation for us to arise and brighten someone’s day.
Richelle E. Goodrich

2015 Chanukah Events and Activities

Care Committee Chanukah Program
Wednesday, December 9 at 11:30 AM
The CBY Care Committee is hosting a special Chanukah Celebration and Lunch featuring David Kimbell and Judy Bluestone, with a cameo appearance by Rabbi Bloom. Congregants, as well as their families, are invited for latkes and fun on the 4th day of Chanukah! There is no charge for this program and lunch, but please RSVP to Susan Britanisky at (843) 842-5244 or Sandy Leff at (843) 341-2240.

Night of 100 Menorahs
Friday, December 11 at 6:00 PM
Plan on spending the sixth night of Chanukah with your CBY family as we celebrate the Night of 100 Menorahs! We’ll begin at 6:00 PM with our traditional Chanukah service/celebration with Rabbi Bloom and Student Cantor Dubin and our new Children’s Choir leading us in singing your favorite Chanukah songs. Bring your Chanukiah, candles and a hearty appetite for yummy latkes after.

Religious School Chanukah Party
Sunday, December 13 at 11:30 AM
This year’s Chanukah Party for all Religious School students and their families is sure to be exciting. The Outreach Committee has activities, prizes and surprises planned with members of the CBY Youth Group assisting. You don’t want to miss the dreidel games for all ages, latkes, art projects and more.

Chanukah Party at Children’s Center
Wednesday, December 16 at 10:00 AM
Chanukah Party at the Children’s Center sponsored by the Social Action Committee. Children will experience cookie decorating, Chanukah stories and songs. The children will be given dreidels. If you would like to help with this delightful activity, contact Eve Sanker at (843) 682-2615.

Bar Mitzvah of Isaiah Shatz ~ December 19, 2015 at 10:00 AM

Hello, my name is Isaiah Shatz. I am thirteen years old and I go to school at Hilton Head Island Middle School. I am excited to take this large step in my religious life by becoming a Bar Mitzvah. Not only will this be an amazing experience but it will also be a new chapter in my life. I am extremely excited for my bar mitzvah and I’m excited to take my religion to the next level. I have been preparing for my Bar Mitzvah since i was six years old. I am the last of my family to have a Bar Mitzvah so I am excited to be a “best for last” Bar Mitzvah.

Outside of my Jewish life, I enjoy sports such as lacrosse and wrestling. I like to develop my learning on technology and computers. I enjoy hanging out with my friends after school, riding our bikes around Hilton Head Plantation. I also enjoy socializing with my family and playing ping pong with my dad.

I love to travel the world. My favorite place that i have been to was Paris. I got to see the Eiffel tower and the Arc de Triomphe. I have also been to Rome. I got to visit the Colosseum and got to stay in an apartment next to it.
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We are getting ready for Chanukah—The Night of 100 Menorahs and at the same time our groundbreaking ecumenical event at Holy Family Catholic Church titled Journey of Friendship. Here we are on Chanukah going to a Catholic Church and listening to a music program including our kids lighting the Chanukah candles and to prominent scholar Rabbi Dr. Shira Lander of Southern Methodist University in Dallas Texas. As much as I am excited about his forthcoming ecumenical experience, I recognize that some may have doubts about whether or not to participate. A few have shared with me their reservations based upon history and emotions towards our Catholic-Jewish relationships over the centuries. I have confidence; nevertheless, that Beth Yam will attend and support the kids ensemble and the CBY choir. I have confidence that we can open our hearts believing that we are going to be welcomed and treated with the utmost respect by our Catholic hosts. I have confidence that we will share a moment of creating new bonds of mutual respect between our two faith traditions.

The ecumenical movement between Jews, Catholics and other denominations of Christianity has enriched our relationships. Of course there are issues, not just from a theological perspective where we have taken different pathways and sometimes disagree with each other. There is also a history between Jews and Catholics that transcends almost two millennium which, for us, has left behind understandable feelings of anger and hurt. Yet, there has been, on the other hand, real progress between our respective faith communities since World War II. We have enjoyed excellent relations with the last three popes who have demonstrated their respect for us and especially for the state of Israel.

There is another factor here which is that we at Congregation Beth Yam have interfaith couples where the Christian spouses are Catholic as well as other denominations of Christianity. These individuals spend their lives in our midst, support their Jewish spouses and, in some cases, raise their children in the Jewish faith. Yes, these folks also belong to our congregation. Surely we have the open heart and enthusiasm to show respect to them as well.

Religion has a role to play to make a better world. We are trying to forge new friendships where we can work together in the future and not to diminish our faith traditions, but, on the contrary, to strengthen them. The fact that the Catholic Church, after two thousand years of accusing us of deicide, has rejected this ancient theology and welcomed us is a mitzvah and a blessing. We simply need to demonstrate that religions can sing together and work together for the betterment of our world. Is this not part of Judaism’s view of Tikkun Olam, repairing the world?

It is not only important to me but it should be important to all of us to make a good showing on Thursday night December 10, If not for the sake of our kids who will light the menorah. Remember, we cannot forget the past and we should be able to learn the lessons of history. There are moments like the times we live in when we have a window to create a new pathway for Jews and Catholics. Fifty years ago in December of 1965 Vatican Two council issued a series of documents which ushered in a new beginning for our two regions to see each other in a positive light. Please come and celebrate with us and behold that good things from ecumenical dialogue are possible and that we can make a difference for our community by bringing God’s presence closer to our world.

Shalom,

Rabbi Brad L. Bloom MSW DD

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Memorializing our loved ones with a permanent yahrzeit plaque guarantees our loved one will never be forgotten. It always has great meaning to all family members of their departed family member. Consider purchasing a yahrzeit plaque in memory of your loved ones. This can be done by contacting the office for more information at bethyam@aol.com.

Happy Chanukah from our family to yours.

Twyla

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President’s Message

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Cemetery Plots for Sale

Stuart and Lucille Robinson are relocating and would like to sell two cemetery plots, including prepaid opening and closing, expenses in Beth Yam Gardens. They can be reached at (843) 705-3117. Please remember that plots can only be purchased by CBY members in good standing. Please let the Cemetery Committee Chair, Ed Brager, know of any transaction so our records can be updated.

“Those who bring sunshine into the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves.”
J.M. Barrie
December will be a delicious and entertaining month for us. We begin the month with a Dine-Around at Wise Guys on December 3. Dinner will be in the rear dining room, beginning at 6:00 PM. Please note: they are happy to seat us at any time before 7:30 PM. Please contact Diane Miller for reservations.

Crave will be lighting their huge Chanukiah on Sunday December 6 at 5:30 PM. All are invited to join in the celebration (no charge). Traditional Sufganiyot (Israeli donuts) will be served.

On December 24 (Christmas eve) will have a special Dine-Around at Crave at Daniel's. Please contact Diane for reservations at one of the few restaurants open that evening. In preparation for our Texas Hold’em Charity Tournament on February 6, we will be offering another fun lesson for beginners and fun seekers, on Thursday, January 7 at 5:00 PM. An audio/visual presentation will be made by Jeremy Press and Gobby Cohen. Please reserve your seat at the table by contacting Gobby Cohen at (843) 715-2876.

Remember, we are holding a very special Theater Party/Dine-Around on Saturday, March 26. We will have dinner at OKKO Asian Bistro in Port Royal Plaza at 5:45 PM then go to the Arts Center for a fabulous evening watching the world famous Peking Acrobats ($42.00) at 8:00 PM. Please reserve soon, as we have only 50 tickets available. Please contact Alan Meiselman for reservations at (843) 681-5951. Happy Chanukah to all.

What is Hospice? By Jeni Bilek, RN, Case Manager at St. Lukes Missionary Hospice

I was asked to write an article for this issue of the Tidings about my experience as a hospice nurse. There is no way to explain how fulfilling this job is and what it means to me. I have been a RN for 22 years and I can tell you that I did not fully understand what hospice was until I started working in this specialty. I'd like to use this opportunity to explain more about hospice based on my experience.

Hospice is a philosophy of care for people who are in the last stages of a terminal illness. The goal of hospice is to provide quality end-of-life care through symptom management. Hospice care is designed to provide comfort and support to the patient, their family and caregivers when curative care is no longer appropriate or desired. Hospice care can be provided wherever the patient lives and often allows people to remain in their own home. If a patient is living at a nursing home, assisted living facility or foster home, hospice care can be provided at that location as well. Once someone is admitted to hospice there is a team that includes: nurses, aides, social workers, and spiritual support available to the patient and family. An integral part of hospice includes supporting the family/caregivers throughout the dying process. Hospice also provides bereavement services to the family for 13 months after the loved one has passed away and continues to be available for support.

Since working in this field I have noticed patients and families are hesitant to bring up the topic of hospice. It is confusing and people often ask: Who is responsible for starting this hospice conversation? Patients and family are free to discuss hospice care at any time with their physician, as well as with other health care professionals, clergy or friends. I completely understand this is a very difficult conversation and it is easier said than done. If you know someone that might need hospice services, I recommend having this conversation sooner rather than later. It is appropriate to discuss all of a patient’s care options, including hospice, at any time during an advancing illness. An early call to hospice brings support for the caregiver and health-care services for the patient to improve quality of life.

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Patients and family often wonder if a hospice patient who shows signs of recovery can be returned to regular medical treatment. The answer is absolutely. If the patient’s condition improves, you can revoke hospice services at any time. In the past, hospice has not been utilized to its full potential for a number of reasons and many people go without the care they deserve. People often ask me, who pays for hospice? Hospice is covered as part of Medicare/Medicaid and many other private insurance plans. As people are better educated on hospice services and the stigma of hospice fades I hope more people will utilize the services.

Hospice seems like a scary word but I am hoping that more people will become educated and realize what a benefit it can be in such a stressful time.
Shalom Friends,

Chanukah, the Festival of Lights, begins at sunset on Sunday, December 6. Sisterhood extends to you and your loved ones our best wishes for a joyous holiday. May the warmth of the glowing candles unite us in the universal hope of peace. Many thanks to Elaine Lust and the members of our Sisterhood who worked tirelessly to make the November 15 Chanukah Bazaar a tremendous success.

Last month I had the privilege of attending the URJ - WRJ Biennial in Orlando, Florida. During this four day conference representatives from 303 Sisterhoods in six countries met to pass resolutions and update our constitution. The WRJ Jane Evans “Pursuit Of Justice” Award was presented to Lilly Ledbetter, author of Grace and Grit, which chronicles her battle with former employer, Goodyear Tire and Rubber, for equal rights in the workplace. This was a prelude to WRJ passing a resolution in support of equal pay for equal work regardless of gender. We also supported resolutions favoring extended paid maternity and sick leave, and pledged to continue our programs on the dangers of distracted driving.

The most significant change to the WRJ Constitution was our decision to offer “individual membership” to women who cannot take advantage of traditional Sisterhood membership. This would apply to women in military or foreign service or those living in areas that do not have Sisterhood as an affiliate of their congregations. WRJ is proud to welcome these Jewish women who identify with our mission and goals, and now can have their voices counted alongside those in Sisterhoods around the world. WE ARE STRONGER TOGETHER.

Yours In Sisterhood,

Cathy

**Fashion Show**

Sisterhood will be sponsoring a fashion show on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 from 5:00 - 7:00 PM at The Pink Pineapple in Main Street Village. Please join us for a great evening. Men's Club is having dinner that night at Frankie Bones, so maybe husbands could be persuaded to stop in to The Pink Pineapple and spend some Chanukah gelt.

**Afghan**

Helen Hauer has graciously offered to knit a duplicate of the exquisite afghan raffled at the Sisterhood Membership Appreciation Luncheon. If you are interested, please contact Helen at (843) 785-1933. The price of the afghan is a $200 donation to Sisterhood, the amount raised from the raffle.

**Judaica Shop**

We are happy to open the Judaica Shop by appointment if you have not done your shopping yet. Contact Elaine Lust at (843) 837-1639 to arrange a time. **We will be open on Wednesday, December 2 from 6:00 PM—9:00 PM.**

Photos courtesy of Helen Hauer

**Book Club**

Join us on December 10, 2015 at 12:30 PM at The Cypress as Diane Miller reviews the book, *In the Unlikely Event* by Judy Blume. Lunch Buffet is $16.00 per person. (Price fixed -Cash only). You must RSVP to Ellen Lash at (843) 681-5217. “Judy Blume portrays a picture of three generations of families who were affected by three plane crashes in a short time frame in the same town in a New Jersey. This is based on the recollections of an experience the author had as a child.”

**Onegs**

Thank you to these congregants for providing the Onegs for October: Tena Graber, Eve Sanker, Susan Cleveland, The Religious School Parents (Christy Cohen, Bree Kennedy, Marida Bruggeman, Mike Mogil, Melanie Wynne & Rebecca Mastroarmac), Judy Bluestone, Elaine Lust, Jocelyn Staigar & Marcia Metzger.

**Barnes & Noble Gift Wrapping Project**

We are gearing up for our annual Barnes and Noble gift wrapping project. This year, the donations we receive will benefit two very worthy organizations-Treat the Troops and Bluffton Self Help. We have had a wonderful response from our members who have volunteered to work 1-2 shifts gift wrapping presents. We still have a few shifts that need to be filled. Please consider volunteering for a few hours for these worthy causes. Volunteer with a friend or make a new friend! If interested in helping out, please contact Marcie Frisch at (843) 705-4460.
Congregation Beth Yam Endowment Fund ~ Investment Policy and Current Status

The CBY Endowment Fund was established at the Congregation’s 2011 Annual Meeting (Bylaw 11.3). The Fund’s purpose is to provide an ongoing source of money for CBY operations from investing donations received from CBY members and other donors. The donations themselves must be retained in the Fund and can only be used by a vote of the Trustees, the Board and the members. Thus a donation to the Endowment is a “gift that keeps on giving.”

To date, the Fund has received $145,000 in gifts from fifteen living donors and pledges of approximately $20,000 from donors during their lifetime. In addition, thirteen member families have pledged to include the Endowment in their wills and/or other legacy documents. In total, just under ten per cent of Beth Yam's membership has donated and/or pledged to donate to the Endowment.

The Endowment trustees, after meeting with a number of outside Investment advisors, are receiving pro-bono investment advice from the Bedminster Group, a local financial planning and advisory company. With input from Bedminster, the Endowment Trustees have adapted a policy of investing Endowment funds in a mix of Equities (stocks), Fixed Income (bonds) and State of Israel Bonds.

Based on Bedminster’s recommendation, Endowment monies are invested in the Vanguard Wellington Admiral Fund, rated low-risk by Morningstar, and in Israel bonds. The Vanguard fund invests 60% -70% in dividend paying stocks and the balance in interest paying bonds. We have earned sufficient money on our investment to enable the Endowment to make its first donation of $2,000 for CBY 2015 operations. It is expected that the size of the annual contribution will increase as Endowment donations grow. We have also completely repaid a “start-up” loan from the Congregation to the Endowment.

Endowment Fund Trustees look forward to the time when the majority of CBY members will participate in the Endowment Fund by a current or legacy donation. In that way, the Fund will help assure that CBY and the blessings of our wonderful congregation can continue for many years “hundert ein zwanzig jahr.” Please invest in the future of CBY through a current gift and/or by a provision in your will. If you have any interest in providing funds for the Endowment, please contact Bob Sable at (843) 363-6858 or Ted David at (843) 705-3541.

Ritual Committee ~ David Kurjan

This month we at CBY celebrate Chanukah with our annual Night of 100 Menorahs on December 11 at 6:00 PM. We probably all know the traditional story of the Maccabees and the miracle of the oil, but I suspect that most of us did not know the following:

The statue of Judah the Maccabee, the hero of the Jewish rebellion against the Syrian Empire, is displayed at the West Point Military Academy. He is known for his principle-driven leadership and daring battle tactics. He is displayed along with the statues of Joshua, David, Alexander the Great, Julius Caesar, Hector (the greatest fighter for Troy in the Trojan War), King Arthur, Charlemagne and Godfrey of Bouillon (one of the leaders of the First Crusade) – “the Nine Worthies.”

During the Middle Ages, people loved to dramatize the story of the Maccabees in gory theatrical productions. They were so gory that they had to invent a new word to describe them: macabre. That’s right, it comes from the word “Maccabee.” The Maccabees were a role model for Paul Revere, who was referred to as "a modern day Maccabee."

The residents of Billings, Montana, celebrate Chanukah in solidarity with the Jewish community of 40 families and in protest of the 1993 vandals who broke the windows of Jewish homes that displayed Chanukah menorahs. In response, more than 10,000 of the city’s residents put makeshift menorahs in their own windows. They persist, annually, in this ritual.

Collection boxes will be located: CBY Office Religious School Social Action box in the Social Hall Questions? Contact JoAnne Doyle at (843) 715-9242
The approach of the Chanukah and Christmas holidays is a great time to think about books as gifts. Geraldine Brooks has written a new novel about biblical David. We will have a copy available shortly.

A copy of Robert Pinsky’s book *The Life of David* has recently been contributed to our collection. The holiday time is also ideal to view something from our collection of DVDs. Check the CBY website to see the list of available titles.

We would like to thank Robert Reed for providing us with a significant number of books on Jewish beliefs and customs. Some examples are *The Book of Jewish Values* by Rabbi Joseph Telushkin, *Inside Judaism* by Alfred Kolatch, *God According To God* by Gerald Schroeder, *Prophets and Dreamers: A Selection of Yiddish Literature* edited by Miriam Weinstein. Other donations were received from Ellen Lash and Felicia Pascal.

**Book Review:** Felicia Pascal

*On the Eve: The Jews of Europe Before the Second World War* by Bernard Wasserstein. There are a large number of books on the rise of Nazi Germany and the events leading to WWII and the Holocaust. This tome is dedicated to examining every facet of Jewish Life in Europe between the World Wars. So many institutions were vibrant, despite the underlying anti-Semitism in Europe’s society. This book is thorough, scholarly and well written. The author has done an amazing job in looking at the varied aspects of Jewish Life. He looks at the changes and disappearance of institutions; he examines the impact for the orthodox, reformed, Zionists, the non observant in an array of Jewish communities from Salonica to Soviet Russia.

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**SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE - Judie Aronson, and Janet Weingarten, Co-Chairs**

- Thank you to all of the people that made our blood drive in partnership with the Red Cross, happen. Jill Harris and Ila Shapiro chaired the event. Michael Shapiro, Joanne Doyle and Ellen Jenner were there to make sure everything went smoothly. A big thank you to the 16 blood donors, including many congregants.

- **December 17th:** Eve Sanker will be coordinating our Chanukah Party at the Children’s Center. This is an opportunity to educate the children about the holiday and have some fun. If you would like to help, contact Eve at (843) 682-2615. In addition Alys Blumberg will be setting up Chanukah book displays at both the Bluffton and Hilton Head children’s library.

- **December 23rd:** Joel Lerner will be coordinating the stocking of shelves with food at Bluffton Self Help. Contact Joel at (843) 757-4103 to help.

- **December 24th and 25th:** Sue Gostanian will be coordinating volunteers from CBY to set up, cook and serve at the Community Wide Christmas Dinner. Contact Sue if you want to participate at (843) 686-2583.

- Look for information about the upcoming community education forum “Corridor of Shame – Highway of Hope” on February 18 at 7:00 PM at CBY. The forum is sponsored by SAC and the Hunger Coalition of the Lowcountry (Backpack Buddies). Learn about the state of education in neighboring counties and the latest South Carolina Supreme Court ruling on the topic along with the forthcoming actions by the state legislature.

- Have a Happy Chanukah and make a New Year’s resolution to make our community a better place.

**SAVE THE DATE for another exciting MLK Celebration at CBY on Friday Jan 15th 2016. Our soloist this year is Melanie DeMore who will be featured not only at Beth Yam but throughout the MLK Celebration week-end.**

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- Youth Group

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Religious School ~ Robin Krumholz, Principal

This month our Religious School has had Chanukah on the brain with crafts, songs, and of course, Mitzvah point questions from Rabbi! Even our Kita Gan students counted to eight in Hebrew at Boker Tov Services. Student Cantor Dubin taught our students about the 4 Jewish spoken languages; Hebrew, Aramaic, Yiddish and Ladino and they all learned the song “Ocho Kandileckas” (Eight Candles) in Ladino. Our Children’s Choir also began rehearsals for their two Chanukah performances: At the Interfaith Service at the Holy Family Catholic Church on December 10, and at the “Night of 100 Menorahs” on December 11. Rumor has it that they will have a secret surprise for our Rabbi!

All of our students made rosemary-mint hand scrub made from Israeli ingredients such as sea salt, honey, and olive oil as holiday gifts for parents. After mixing the concoction, they hand decorated their jar cover.

Our Religious School parents explored “The December Dilemma” with Rabbi Bloom, gaining insights to set the tone for their children during the Xmas season with creative role-play exercises. Then parents enjoyed shopping at the Sisterhood Chanukah Bazaar. Hope to see you all kvell over our students at the Night of 100 Menorahs! Chag Sameach to all.

Adult Education—Barbara Slagowitz, Chair

EXCITING NEWS: REGISTER NOW FOR CLASSES

- WE ARE OFFERING BASIC HEBREW AND THE YIDDISH PROJECT: Basic Hebrew—an introduction to Hebrew leading to understanding of the alphabet, vowels and root words. This is a prerequisite for anyone interested in becoming an adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Class will be taught by Janice Kaden. There is no charge for this class but the textbook will have to be purchased.

  - JOURNEY OF FRIENDSHIP: a celebration of Jewish-Catholic relations at Holy Family Church on December 10 at 7:00 PM.
  - The Yiddish Project: Online classes including worksheets and discussion of the role of Yiddish in our lives. All classes begin Tuesday, January 19 and will run for 5 consecutive Tuesdays. Class size is limited to 10 students per class. The Yiddish Project is 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM. Basic Hebrew is 10:45 AM to 11:45 AM. The classes will be held in the Jewish Resource Center. To register or for more information, please contact Barbara Slagowitz at (843) 681-6522.
  - Our winter Lunch and Learn book club selection is Being Mortal by Dr. Atul Gawande. An interesting discussion involving aging and ethical wills will be held on January 27, 2016 at CBY at 12:30 PM. Please read the book and plan to attend.
  - DINNER AND A MOVIE: A joint program with the Italian-American club will be held on February 27 at 7:00 PM. Details to follow.

Youth Group News ~ Rachel Pepin

Our Youth Group led Family Services and hosted the “Shabbat around the World” dinner on November 20. It was a very enjoyable evening. The group has been busy planning a trip to Charleston to enjoy “Chanukah on the Square” on December 6. This is an annual tradition sponsored by the College of Charleston Hillel and other Charleston synagogues. While there they will tour the old synagogue which dates back to 1670 and the adjoining cemetery, and explore programs in Judaic Studies at the college. These post B’nai Mitzvah students will also be forming a local chapter of NFTY – the National Federation of Temple Youth – a URJ sponsored organization. They are busy with fund-raising activities to attend NFTY events this spring. Their first fundraiser was to sell hotdogs and home-made donuts during the Chanukah Bazaar. We thank all who indulged in these treats and generously added extra donations to support their cause.
Men’s Club—Alan Krumholz, President

Our next meeting is Tuesday, December 8 @ 7:00 PM at Frankie Bones. There is a limited number of seats so reserve early. No reservation will be counted until a check is received for $26 sent to Men’s Club-CBY, also send an E-mail to mensclub.cby@gmail.com. This is at the request of the restaurant to make their service less chaotic at the end of the meeting. Thank you for your cooperation.

November was an interesting month for the Men’s Club. We just finished our 9th Annual Golf Tournament and we raised $11,000 for charity. The distribution among the charities include a contribution to the CBY Friends Campaign and an allocation to the CBY fund for camp youth as well as many other donations large and small.

Final dues letters have been sent and those who have not responded by December 4 will be removed from the membership list.

We will be working on developing a new events calendar for 2016 with more dinner meetings, and some breakfast meetings as well, to provide alternatives for socialization of our members. Our Events committee will be developing that calendar and arranging for all planned events in the 2016 year. Please contact Stuart Blickstein, Nelson Adelman or Mike Werner of our events committee with any ideas for new events, revivals or meeting programs. We welcome your suggestions for short programs for future meetings, and larger scale events.

Finally, we had to move our E-mail communication to constant contact. If you are a member in good standing and are not receiving E-mails please contact me at mensclub.cby@gmail.com so that we may research the issue and get it fixed for you.

Family Directory Listing Update

Please send any updates and/or corrections to your Family Directory listing by January 15, 2016 to the CBY office at bethyam@aol.com. We will be printing an addendum to the directory in our February issue of the Monthly Tidings.

Abstract of Board Meeting

November 9, 2015

Judy Bluestone

Recording Secretary

- The October minutes were approved as read.
- The treasurer reported that 2015-16 dues were coming in at a steady pace; that our expenses were on budget; that in the expectation of an outstanding Friends of Beth Yam campaign we should make our budget.
- The membership committee has made some modifications to our membership application.
- The Friends of Beth Yam campaign for 2015-16 is off to a good start. The chairs are appreciative of the generosity of our members.
- The Dine-Around program is doing well
- A “seminar” on how to play Texas Hold-Em was led by Gobby Cohen and Jeremy Press in preparation for our February fundraiser.
- Sisterhood (kitchen) and Men’s Club (Friends Campaign) have given generous donations to CBY.
- A Governance Task Force, chaired by Jack Miller, will meet to address issues raised at the August Board retreat.
- The Board passed a policy regarding members who are in arrears in financial obligations.
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