It isn’t what we say or think that defines us, but what we do. Jane Austen

We say thank you and happy retirement to our beloved Principal Judi Kleiman and Zeyde during a wonderful Shabbat service.

May 29, 2015

Photos courtesy of Peter Leff

We honor the Bat Mitzvah of Paula Rudman ~ August 1, 2015

My husband Jerry and I have been members of CBY for 12 years. During that time, I have worked primarily for Sisterhood and currently am on the Board of Sisterhood as the Parliamentarian /Chair of the By-Laws Committee. I have also chaired several projects along the way. I am on the Board of Hilton Head Hadassah as their Certificate and Community Calendar Chair. As a retired nurse, my work as a volunteer at VIM is very special to me; helping in the community is work I really enjoy.

I am very excited about my up and coming Bat Mitzvah on August 1st. Learning Hebrew from ground 0 has been a real challenge but worth the work. Our entire family will be here (8 adults and 10 grandchildren) to share this event. I hope you can too!
### July 2015

**Tammuz ~ Av 5775**

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**All services for the months of June, July and August**<br></br>**Will be 6:00 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Services**

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Rabbi’s Message

I had the opportunity to visit Baltimore a few weeks ago with Leah in search of a residence as she begins her graduate studies in Jewish communal service. Baltimore is a large Jewish community and has a long and distinguished tradition in the history of Jewish communal life in America. One of the most striking features of our trip was the enormous influx of Orthodox Jews and the institutions which have emerged to serve the needs of this rapidly changing Jewish community.

Neighborhoods where I grew up which were primarily Reform, Conservative or secular Jews are now full with Orthodox Jews. Many of them have moved down to Baltimore from larger Jewish communities in New York and New Jersey. Baltimore is an attractive location for them to purchase homes at a much more affordable price. In addition, the institutions of Orthodox Jewry which have been long established in this city also created a supportive and fertile ground for significant growth.

I talked to folks who told me that they were members of a Reform congregation but sent their children to Orthodox day schools. Sometimes there is an interaction between the branches of Jewish life. I could also see that there were new congregations of different varieties of Orthodoxy representing a wide spectrum of religious practices within the Orthodox world view from Modern Orthodox to Haredim and Hasidic varieties of Judaism. Is this a good thing?

The Jewish community I grew up in has moved further out into the suburbs. Some synagogues have moved out but most of the largest and most venerable and respected institutions have kept their locations. People just drive further. I am not sure yet but it seems that there are two distinctive communities which are Orthodox and Reform-Conservative-Secular. In some regard they live in separate worlds and then there are opportunities when they do interact. It leads me to think about how it all works in Israel between secular and religious.

What do these terms of religious affiliation mean? Organizational affiliation and religious practice can be two different things. Where we belong and what we actually practice and believe in are not exactly the same thing. I met people who acknowledged having friends at the other side of the Jewish community but not necessarily social friends. No doubt the same is true from the non-Orthodox to Orthodox community as well. It is amazing how Jews can inhabit the same community, take advantage of the same community resources and proclaim the same religious affiliation with the God of Israel and be so profoundly different from each other.

We are living in a small community with our own spectrum of religious perspectives. They are not by a long shot close to those types of issues which larger Jewish communities contend with in their policies of communal life. Yet we need to work just as hard to remember that the personal traditions and practices we grew up with and cherished are not the same as others in our community. That could relate to worship and liturgical practices. In our own way we can remember that no matter what we do and how we see the world when we pronounce “Shema Israel” we are connected to more than ourselves but to a larger Jewish community. Even Jews should strive to be ecumenical and tolerant of each other. I will look forward to hearing her stories about Baltimore’s Jewish community as she commences her studies. They will no doubt be different experiences and probably more enriched. Stretching is a good thing and necessary for us to learn more about each other. It is part of life.

Shalom,

Rabbi Brad L. Bloom

Teshuvah Bike Ride ~ September 6, 2015 at 4:00 PM

To quote Rabbi Bloom: “I have found that the success of the Teshuvah Bike Ride stems in part from combining the ideas of physical wellness and spiritual wellness with the backdrop of Dolphin Head Beach. Second, the occasion provides our congregants an opportunity to engage in the ideas of the High Holy Days outside the structure of the liturgy. For many, that is a liberating and refreshing experience. I hope this yearly activity will deepen our awareness of just how important being with nature is towards appreciating the balance of God’s presence and our own in this world of ours.”

This year’s event will take place on Sunday, September 6. We will meet at Dolphin Head in Hilton Head Plantation. The ride will start promptly at 4:00 PM, but please arrive earlier so that we can start on time. The ride will be followed by discussion and commentary led by Rabbi Bloom. For those not interested in the ride, we will gather at 5:15 PM at the Dolphin Head picnic area for the discussion and commentary part of the event. You may bring snacks, soft drinks, wine, etc. There will be separate tables provided for meat and dairy. Please do not bring any shellfish or pork items. To enter Hilton Head Plantation, just tell the gate that you are going to the Swimmer event at Dolphin Head Park. Our thanks to Bob Swimmer who is coordinating the event again this year.

Click Here To Register Or sign up at www.bethyam.org
President’s Message

It seems just a short time ago I was elected as your President and I am now privileged to serve in that capacity for another year. Helping to lead this wonderful Congregation forward has also helped me grow as a person. Rabbi Bloom’s teaching at our weekly meetings has led to an enlightened spirituality in me. Working through diversity and bringing people together through mitzvoth has enriched my way of working with congregants.

I would also like to thank all of our congregants who took the time to read and vote on the new Board of Directors and the two amendments to our Bylaws.

As we move forward with our new Board of Directors, I would be remiss if I did not recognize our retiring board members, Judie Aronson, Stuart Blickstein, Susan Sneider and Nadyne Ulicny. These board members have been an integral part of CBY for many years and their services have and will continue to be greatly appreciated. Thank you for all you have done.

We welcome our new board members, Alan Krumholz, David Kurjan, Jack Miller and Jeremy Press. I will be calling on them to help us achieve a better and growing temple. I must say thank you to each of the returning board members for their devotion, time and energy. The role of the Board of Directors is to be Menschlichkeit, “To be kind and nice to all people.”

To all of our congregation, I am here for you, to listen and talk so we can make CBY better and stronger for the entire Jewish community in Hilton Head, Bluffton and Oaktie, and for our affiliate members from near and far.

Join our temple trip to Israel in February led by Rabbi Bloom. Bob and I will be going to visit for our third time and yet we will participate in many new and exciting different experiences including a meeting with Anat Hoffman, Women of the Wall, Gil Hoffman, journalist with the Jerusalem Post, visiting a military station, touring the tunnels in Jerusalem, participating in Project Leket, collecting leftover fruits and vegetables for those in need, fulfilling the Mitzvah of gleaning the fields, as well as many traditional sites to be seen. The brochure can be viewed on pages 6 & 7 of this issue, the www.bethyam.org website or, for the full itinerary, go to www.ayelet.com/bloom2016.aspx.

I wish you a very good summer and look forward to an event-filled fall with the High Holy Days and the introduction of the new Mishkan HaNefesh, the new Machzor for the High Holy Days.

Shalom,

Twyla

Library Committee ~ Linda Stern and Felicia Pascal

Too many books to read and not enough time! Summer is not necessarily the best reading time—lots of other diversions. But still it is a time to easily succumb to the books in our collection that are on the light side. Mysteries, suspense novels and humor will easily fit the bill. We have listed a few on the electronic sign in the foyer.

Marsha Levin has donated some light reading to the collection: Jackie Mason’s book How to Talk Yiddish and a book by Lita Epstein If You Can’t Say Anything Nice, Say it in Yiddish (subtitled The Book of Yiddish Insults and Curses). A revised update of Leo Rosten’s The New Joys of Yiddish is also now in our collection. In addition to these titles Marsha has donated a modern English-Yiddish/Yiddish-English dictionary, a book of Yiddish idioms and Yiddish language learning guides.

On the side of mysteries, we can thank Marcia Mann for the book reviewed in May, Jonathan Liss’ The Devil’s Company.

Book Review for July 2015

A Conspiracy of Paper by David Liss — Reviewed by Felicia Pascal

We have both reviewed and purchased books by David Liss in the last year. He is a superb author of historical fiction involving Jewish communities in a variety of locations. In this, his first novel, we are introduced to Benjamin Weaver, retired Jewish pugilist and debt collector. Weaver is drawn into a series of seemingly unrelated investigations both personal and financial. He is hired to investigate a murder, possibly related to the untimely accidental death of his father and recovering personal papers stolen from a rich aristocrat. In the course of events Weaver is involved with murder, mayhem and fraud in 18th century London.

Check out the following link to see the books in our library catalog on the CBY Website: www.bethyam.org/images/stories/pdfs/libraryinventory080814.pdf
# High Holy Day Schedule

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Men's Club—Alan Krumholz, President

With the end of Stuart’s Presidency at hand, the board has completed two major initiatives - the 2015-16 budget and fully revised bylaws which were accepted and will be presented to the membership for approval at our next meeting. The Board also accepted a motion to consider the new Bylaws as policy until they can be ratified. There will be more about these two achievements at our next meeting, which will be a DINNER MEETING on Tuesday July 14 at 7:00 PM at Frankie Bones.

We are beginning the process of soliciting ushers for the High Holy Days. If you are interested in helping out, please contact me at (843) 686-6195.

Don’t forget the 9th annual Golf Tournament, again at Oyster Reef Golf Club, on October 12. We will have AM coffee and lunch for you as well. Join us in this fun and charitable day. Players, please register early and if you would like to help with some of the management on that day please contact Steve Burstein at (843) 342-5577.

Many events will be planned for the coming year. Please contact Stuart Blickstein, as chair of our new 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.

I want to personally thank Stuart Blickstein for his leadership this past year and for his continued support as I take over for him to complete his term of office.
Shalom Friends,

In recent months, Sisterhood and Congregation Beth Yam has had the honor of welcoming several B’Nai Mitzvah to the Bima. Again we wish Mazel Tov to sister and brother Rebecca and Samuel Gelb, Jason Niekamp and Ella Speer. Their commitment to our Jewish faith along with the support of their families, Rabbi, teachers and tutors is awe inspiring.

On August 1, our dedicated Sisterhood Board member Paula Rudman, will become an adult Bat Mitzvah. Along with Paula’s loving family, we are filled with joy as she comes to the Bima to fulfill her long held dream. Paula, may you go from strength to strength, from blessing to blessing; you inspire us all.

Summer may appear to be a quiet time for Sisterhood but we are hard at work planning for the 2015-2016 year. We are working on several new programs that will be of interest to our members and their families. More information will follow in the months ahead. Sisterhood annual membership dues campaign began in early July. You will receive our colorful flier in the mail shortly. You will find a checklist of Sisterhood activities that appeal to the varied interests of our members. Take a moment to fill it out and return with your dues. Every Sisterhood member has a voice and we want to hear yours. Click here to download this form.

Sisterhood is pleased to help support 9 of our Religious School students as they attend URJ Summer Camps. It is vital to our children that they identify and share experiences with other Jewish youth and summer camp is the perfect opportunity. Have a wonderful summer everyone!

Yours in Sisterhood,
Cathy

Onegs
Thank you to the following woman for providing the Onegs in May: Pennie Meiselman, Randy Kurjan, Teri Kopp, Rita Suntup, Kathy Burnce and Flora Wallman.

Mah Jongg Lessons
Mah Jongg anyone? If you are interested in learning or if you haven't played in a long time and need a brush up, a new class will be forming. For details either call or e-mail me. Beverly Averack at (843) 682-3778.

Thank you to all our sisters for their generous donations to our Count Your Blessings Campaign. Such plus giving on your part enables us to continue our work with onegs, bereavement, libraries, camp scholarships and gifts to CBY.

Care Committee ~ Susan Britansky & Sandy Leff

On May 28 the Care Committee sponsored a lunch and Dementia Sensitivity Training. The session was led by young and dynamic Daniel Lentz, Dementia Care Expert from Memory Matters, who provided tips and tools for dealing with people experiencing memory issues.

The intention of the program was to make the CBY staff and volunteers who interact with members and visitors at the temple even more patient and understanding in relating to those with dementia or other possibly debilitating conditions.

Photo courtesy of Peter Leff
Social Action Committee—Judie Aronson and Janet Weingarten, Co-Chairs

As you looked at the wonderful pictures of Mitzvah Day in the June Tidings, I hope that you were filled with pride. The Mitzvah Day program, sponsored by SAC, is one of the longest running events at CBY. Through the years it is one way our congregation reaches out to the Hilton Head and Bluffton communities and shows that we care about our neighbors and demonstrate Tikkun Olam. Mitzvah Day is a time the children of our congregation learn about the importance of reaching out to those less fortunate. It is a time the multiple generations of our congregation come together to serve in many ways. It is one of the times our greater community sees that its Jewish population is an integral part of where we live.

In the months to follow, SAC will be highlighting our many activities. During the summer we are asking congregants to contribute school supplies for those children in in our community whose families struggle. Please drop off your contribution in the SAC box in the social hall. Join our committee if you are interested in social action and social justice. Let us know if you have any ideas on how we may serve by contacting Judie Aronson at (843) 342-6126.

Fundraising—Alan Meiselman

The Fun-raising subcommittee has scheduled SEVEN Dine-Arounds this year. These were all successes last year, so book early, as we are limiting seating to the first 40 guests so as to not overburden the restaurants. Please note we have changed dinners to Thursday evenings.

- August 27.......... Claude & Uli’s
- September 16 ..... The Cottage
- October 1 .......... Santa Fe
- October 29 ........ La Fontana
- November 19 ..... Ela’s
- December 3 ....... Wise Guys
- December 24...... Daniel’s

The entire committee is still working on the Advertising Directory. We still have time for new ads, so please pitch in to support this very important project. Our goal is 100 ads!

Several new events are in the planning stages for this coming year, so keep watching this space for updates.

Our next meeting is Thursday July 16 at 3:00 PM in the JRC, for those wishing to participate.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR VOTES - Ted David

The results of the World Zionist Congress elections are in, and we are proud to report that ARZA was the clear winner. ARZA secured 56 seats out of a possible 145 – almost 40% of the U.S. delegation, and as many seats as the next two slates combined. Thank you to all members of CBY who took the time to vote in this critical election.

At the World Zionist Congress in Jerusalem in October American Jews will have the opportunity to express their strong feelings about the issues close to our hearts – such as religious freedom, gender equality, and a two state solution -- and then work to affect change in those areas. We will be one step closer to making Israel the Jewish State that we know it can and should be. The results of this election will also enable American Jews to influence Israel’s national institutions, the World Zionist Organization, the Jewish Agency for Israel and the Jewish National Fund.

Thank you again for your votes.

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Religious School ~ Judi Kleiman

“Religious school is the key that opens the door to the grand adventure of Jewish learning and Jewish life. We will not rest until our schools are a place where our children hear God’s voice and see Torah as a tree of life.” Rabbi Eric Yoffie

Rabbi Yoffie’s words were so meaningful to me that I used them as my guide to remind me of my purpose as Principal of CBY Religious School. I am hopeful that my legacy to our students and their families will be the stories we have shared these last 4 years and that they will share them with their children and grandchildren. I also hope they will look back fondly at our time together as fun as well as meaningful and that what we shared gave them a sense of how important it is to always pay it forward. My wish is to have their stories be rich with the memories of living the yearly cycle of holidays and Shabbat within our vibrant Jewish community in which Torah, Avodah and Gemilut Hasadim are communal ways of life, and of experiencing first hand the ties that bind Jews throughout the world.

Rabbi Bloom has been kind in saying I gave the gift of myself; my energy, enthusiasm, honesty, respect and love, to you. But I want to turn that around and give it back, for this is precisely what I feel you have given me. I have been privileged to have had loving and caring students and teachers to work with as we all grew together. They helped me build the first bridges. From them I learned true teaching is a special partnership. It only really works when the teacher reaches beyond the outer image, looks into the heart, understands and respects what they see. The student's role is to allow themselves to be seen, not just for who they are, or have been, but also for who they will be. It is with gratitude that I look back. I entered a profession dedicated to assisting young people achieve their potential, to revealing or finding their best selves. As I leave it, I am taking many of you with me. You will live on in my memories.

I’ve been asked what I’m going to do now. I'm going to do a lot of things and very few of them conform to the notion of retirement as a time of waiting for the inevitable end. Stan and I are going to travel to places we haven’t even discovered yet. I am going to read books that have been waiting on my 'must read' list. I will garden again, learn new skills, create more photo histories, visit with my children and grandchildren more, visit art galleries and just enjoying being around friends.

And lastly, I leave you with this thought. There is only ever one of each of us. We are unique. We are neither better nor less than anybody else but rather the best or least of ourselves. I am still working on finding the best of me. It is an exciting on-going journey. Thank you for being my traveling companions along this journey of Jewish intention and keeping our history alive. I am forever grateful for your trust and belief in me and the enormous collection of shared experiences indelibly printed on my mind.
Ritual Committee ~ David Kurjan

Tish'a B'Av, the ninth of the month of Av, begins at sundown on Sat, July 25, and traditionally is a fast day. The fast commemorates the destruction of both the First Temple and Second Temple in Jerusalem, which occurred about 655 years apart, but on the same Hebrew calendar date. According to the Mishnah, three other specific events occurred on the ninth of Av that warrant fasting: the reaction of the Israelites to the report by ten of the twelve spies Moses had sent to Canaan; the massacre of 500,000 Jews by the Romans in 135 CE; and the plowing over of the site of the Temple by the Roman commander, also in 135 CE. Over time, Tisha B’Av has come to be a Jewish day of mourning, not only for these events, but also for later tragedies (e.g., the expulsion of Jews from England in 1290, France (1306), and Spain (1492); the start of the mass deportation of Jews from the Warsaw Ghetto (1942); the bombing of the Jewish community center in Buenos Aires (1994)). Regardless of the exact dates of these events, for many Jews Tisha B'Av is the designated day of mourning for them.

Membership - Pennie Meiselman and Mike Weingarten

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