Besides our Holocaust memories, May was a month full of Israel! We learned an Israeli folk dance with Judy Bluestone, and raised our flags for Yom HaAtzma`ut, made Star of David mobiles for Mother’s Day, and we sent our March of the Living Scholars to Poland and Israel.

We also said goodbye to our High School teacher, Hilary Williams, and our Kita Gan teacher, Debbie Urato, and then goodbye was said to me!

This article brings my service as our Religious School Principal to an end. It has been a wonderfully rewarding two years.

I close with the words of a favorite nineteenth century poet...

Respectfully, Robin Krumholz, Principal
**Save The Date for July**

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“See you in September”

Sunday, September 10, a special CBY end-of-summer musical brunch will be held at the Shore House on the beach at the Omni Hilton Head Resort. Get a group together for a karaoke performance of your favorite song, or make it a solo act. Lox, bagels, omelet station, mimosas and more! $35 per person. Proceeds benefit CBY’s cantorial and music programs. Watch Tidings for detailed info and exact time.

“It’s time to update your Family Directory!”

Please send any updates or changes to your Family Directory listing (address, phone, and email) to bethyam@aol.com by July 15. Thanks for your anticipated response.

Candy Solomon and Mike Weingart–Membership, Co-chairs.

You may know CBY’s new

Director of Jewish Youth Education

CBY is looking for someone to head our Religious school and hope that one of our congregants may know someone who would be interested in this position if they knew it existed. We are looking for a person with an educational background who either already lives in the Hilton Head area or perhaps is considering moving to the area. Maybe it is one of your old neighbors, a friend or someone you know from your old synagogue back in the city from which you came. It is a part-time, paying position and would be great for someone who wants to remain busy, meet lots of new people and get involved in the Jewish Community here in the Lowcountry. Please contact Rabbi Bloom if there is someone who you think might be interested in this position.

As Hilton Head’s only full service, public, perpetual care cemetery we understand the importance of making sure the memories and legacy our your loved ones last forever.

Six Oaks Cemetery is proud to extend a special offer to Congregation Beth Yam which is available from May 1st to June 15th, 2017 which includes substantial savings and never before offered interest free payment terms.

Please take advantage of this special offer by June 15th.

To arrange a private tour of Six Oaks Cemetery, contact John L. Hunter, Cemetery Manager at 843.384.3796.
Rabbi’s Message

It is usually June when I pay tribute to those who work with me and who labor to make CBY such a great synagogue. Of course, I am grateful for the leadership of our President Pennie Meiselman who is a partner to me as she shifts between being the President and then the Executive Director. That is one of the most unusual aspects of being the President at CBY: leader of the board and executive director. The Executive Committee has done yeoman’s work to be what I call in synagogue culture “the first responders” to the business of Jewish life at our congregation. They give a good deal of time and they invest their hearts and emotions into making the right decisions for our congregation. The basic function of being a first responder, in an organizational sense, is to deliberate on issues and present recommendations to the ultimate body, the board of directors, who decides what happens in our temple.

I am referring to the 17 members who make up the board of directors. There is definitely a heavy responsibility for them to be on top of the issues that we deal with every day. They are counselors, committee chairpersons, fundraisers, and the list goes on. What is important is that they show up and people know who they are and they, in turn get to know the membership. The board of any congregation must strive to stay on the pulse of the community in order to serve it effectively. For all these reasons I thank our board for their steadfast commitment and for their support on behalf of my colleagues who work professionally inside this congregation. We could not be successful without the support and guidance provided to us from this congregation’s board of directors.

Now let me transition to our professionals. We have worked hard this past year to build a sense of teamwork as a staff. Our staff consists of three different departments; education with Robin Krumholz, music with music director David Kimbell, soloist Adriana Urato and Student Cantor Daniel Geigerman and administration with Michele Johnson and Ceil Treiss. I also want to add our Ron Bruns and Yvonne Daly who both work hard to keep our facility looking top notch. I hope you will join me in sharing your appreciation to all of them for what they do, not only for remuneration but how they care so deeply for the congregation and us as individuals.

I want to offer a strong Todah Rabbah to Robin Krumholz who has served as our principal for two years. We thank her for her tireless efforts to provide a quality education and to care as deeply as she does for our children in the religious school. Robin truly made a difference and she should be proud of her accomplishments as principal of CBY Religious School. Now we are on a search for a successor to the position. More information to follow.

I also want to acknowledge David Kimbell who has consistently worked hard with devotion and even a sense of humor to lift up our liturgical experience. His work with the Shabbat Choir and all the special musical projects he works on makes him a special gift in our community. Adriana Urato is our rock and our congregation’s soloist. She is always there in so many ways for us and with her beautiful voice and sense of humor, she always responds to the call when we need her. She is a blessing for CBY. We have now completed our first year with Student Cantor Daniel Geigerman. We are pleased that he will return for another year. Daniel has brought his own special devotion and cheer to all ages. I personally love watching our student cantors grow into rock solid professionals as they get closer to beginning their careers and ordination. It is my hope that our leadership and the congregation will work to preserve this special program for the future of the community.

A special shout out to Michele and Ceil. These two women are amazing. There aren’t enough words in this column that capture all that they do for the congregation. They are always ready to serve and to accommodate us. They keep their cool. They strive for excellence and they have a sense of humor too. We are blessed to have Michele and Ceil.

The main idea here is that I request that we take a moment and call or email these folks and tell them when we have a spare minute how much we thank and appreciate them for their service to the congregation. A simple thank you goes a long way.

Shalom,

Rabbi Brad L. Bloom MSW DD

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Temple Tidings

Greeters needed for Friday night Shabbat services

Our greeter program is one of our most successful endeavors and is one of the reasons that visitors frequently tell us what a warm and welcoming congregation we have. We need to expand the number of greeters we have and if you’re interested, please send an email to Mike Weingarten. He’ll get back to you and let you know what is involved and get you on the schedule. It’s a significant support to grow our congregation and an opportunity for you to get involved and know more people.
Message From The President—
Pennie Meiselman

Do you remember when you were learning how to ride a two-wheel bicycle? You first started with training wheels touching the ground, then the trainers were raised a bit until you could ride without the trainers.

Here at Congregation Beth Yam we have been experiencing something analogous to this. Our Student Cantor Program and our Music Director have been funded by a few generous congregants, who wanted to create and implement these special programs to enhance our worship through the inclusion of beautiful music. Now it is time to take the “training wheels” off and, as a congregation, continue this wonderful ride.

Over the next few years the original seed money for these programs will be used up. This means that it will be up to us as a congregation to continue to fund these wonderful programs through our regular funding processes. I look forward to everyone’s support for our music programs.

Our first event in support of our music programs will be “Music at the Beach”; a special brunch at the Omni Beach Pavilion on Sunday, September 10. This event will feature a Karaoke program with participation by our members. I hope everyone appreciated the presentation during Shavuot services by our three returning CBY High School students about their March of the Living experiences. This reminds all of us how important it is to support our religious school in educating Jewish children in the Lowcountry.

June means that school is out. At Congregation Beth Yam this also means that the Adult Education programs have concluded, until after the High Holy Days. The congregants who participated in the Adult B’nai Mitzvah class are all looking forward to next semester’s program.

Shalom, Pennie

Fun Facts for June:
- National Ice Tea Month
- National Candy Month
- The best day—Father’s Day—June 18
- June 5—National Donut Day
- June 8—Best Friends Day

Membership Committee—Candy Solomon & Michael Weingarten, Co-chairs

The Membership committee had a very successful New Member Week celebration. The New Member/Ambassador Party and New Member Shabbat were well attended.

Welcome

We would like to welcome the following new members to CBY:
★ Peter and Lani Novick, Resident Family members, residing in Carolina Isles, HHI
★ Tom and Lili Kertesz, Resident Family members, residing at Tidepointe, HHI
★ Walt and Sheila Margeson, Resident Family members, residing in Hilton Head Plantation, HHI

Men’s Club—Alan Krumholz, President

The Men’s Club held its May lunch meeting on the 9th at CBY and enjoyed Jack Frisch speaking on Jewish scouting. This meeting was preceded by a board meeting at 11:00 AM. Our annual meeting will be a Sunday Brunch on June 4.

Please contact Stuart Blickstein, Nelson Adelman or Mike Werner of our events committee, with any ideas for new events, or revivals of old meeting programs. We welcome your suggestions for short programs for future meetings, and larger scale events.

If you are a dues paying member and not receiving our regular emails please contact me at mensclub.cby@gmail.com. Please let me know and we will update our list to include your direct email. Thanks for your cooperation.
Temple Tidings

Ritual Committee—David Kurjan, Chair

The Torah readings during June this year include two rather interesting portions.

Beha’alot’cha is jam-packed, telling the story of the first Passover in the wilderness, the departure from Sinai, the silver trumpets which are to be sounded at the time of setting forth on the journey, the punishment of Miriam, and the grumbling in the wilderness.

The generation in the wilderness were not worse complainers than any other collection of human beings. Human beings are prone to complain. It often seems that people are not happy unless they find something to be unhappy about. Nothing seems to please us more than complaining about what we don’t like and what things do not meet our approval. We are malcontents. However, a person of faith is duty bound to rise above the natural human instinct to complain and criticize.

Shelach, which means “send out,” is another interesting portion. This Torah portion tells the story of the spies that are sent forth to survey the land of Canaan in preparation for its conquest. They return with a mixed message. The land is superb but too well-fortified to be conquered. Moses is bitterly disappointed with their fearful report and, therefore, decides that the people must wander another 40 years (until the generation of slavery has died out) before they can enter the land. Shelach concludes with the instruction to wear fringes of blue as reminders of holiness.

Fundraising Committee—Alan Meiselman, Chair

We wish everyone a play-filled and happy summer. Of course, we will not be on vacation. We will be working on several necessary fund-raising projects; we have already started soliciting for our next CBY family directory. Anyone willing to help should contact Dave Solomon at (248) 762-1399. We need all the help we can get.

When summer ends we are planning a welcome home (or back) brunch for everyone on September 10—please reserve the date. This will be a lot of fun and will help support our much loved music and student cantor programs. As soon as this year’s final Dine Around (at Flora’s on June 6) is over will begin scheduling the next dozen evenings for next year. Several new restaurants will be included in various locations and price points. An evening at the Comedy Club is planned in the fall, including dinner.

Texas Hold’em will return in December—details forthcoming in July and August. A new event, a progressive raffle, is planned during the winter—this will be HUGE for CBY! More info on this event in September.

Have a great summer. See you in September or maybe in July and August also.

A Message from your Treasurer—Ted David

Board Adapts Budget for 2017/18

CBY anticipates an operating surplus in FY 2016/17, mainly as a result of our lease of CBY’s facility to our neighbors at the Mormon Church and a substantial donation from the CBY Endowment.

On May 8, the CBY Board adapted the 2017/18 budget to support the synagogue’s operating plan for the year. 2017/18 will see a continuation of the CBY Music program (including the Student Cantor, Music Director and Shabbat Choir), encompassing ritual programs, our full service Religious School and Youth Group activities (including camp scholarships), our various programs and activities (such as Adult Education, Care, Social Action, Communications, and Membership) as well as facility operations and office support staff. In addition, we are planning a full array of social activities.

The budget assumes we will maintain stable membership. To partially finance CBY activities and programs for 2017/18, the Board has determined that dues will be increased by 5% for 2017/18 as follows:

- Resident families from $1,780 to $1,870
- Resident singles from $1,035 to $1,085
- Affiliates from $515 to $540

As our President, Pennie Meiselman, mentions in her column this month, several CBY activities have been privately funded. Over the next two years the private funding will no longer be available, requiring CBY to fund those activities from on-going operating funds. Recognizing the need, the board has authorized the president to appoint a special task force which will examine the synagogue’s financial structure to determine how we can best continue to provide those activities and programs. You will hear more from the task force over the next several weeks.
June is traditionally a month that celebrates “beginnings.” Graduation ceremonies mark the passage of young peoples’ entry into the professional world. Weddings celebrate the union of partnership and future family. CBY looks toward changes in leadership on the Board and Committees and reflects on the accomplishments and challenges of the past year.

Sisterhood will hold its “retreat” for all our Board Members mid-June. It is a day we look toward the next year and plan events that complement the emerging needs of our synagogue and build on our successes of the past year. A few of the programs that we are proud to continue: Women’s Study and Dinner Program, Book Club Programs, Mitzvah Projects such as Donations to Mazon, Grocery deliveries to the VIM food pantry, baking and packaging cookies for Treat the Troops, responding to the needs of our community, and establishing scholarships for our children to attend Jewish camps.

Looking toward the future, we are committed to helping support the educational needs of our religious school children and we will be presenting programs for the women of CBY which will be sponsored by the Lisa G. Memorial Fund.

This was a challenging year. The efforts of our fellow sisters enabled us to meet those challenges. I stand with the best.

Yours in Sisterhood,

Sue

A special note of thanks to all the bakers and wrappers who donated their time to bake and wrap 128 dozen snickerdoodles (that’s 1,536 cookies) for our deployed military. Treat The Troops was able to send an extra 10 boxes of cookies to our deserving heroes. Sharon Bass, Kathy Burnce, Carol Carty, JoAnne & Ray Doyle, Fran Gellman, Sue Gostanian, Jill Harrison, Helen Hauer, Cathy Kite, Randy Kurjan, Wendy Lewensohn, and Elaine Lust couldn’t have accomplished this without your dedication. Thank you, from the bottom of my heart. Nadyne

April oneg thank you to: Christina Bruderer, Rose Valentine, Janice Fradkin, Carol Carty, Randy Kurjan, Jo-Anne Perchick, Gay Birnbaum, JoAnne Doyle, Kathy Burnce, Cathy Kite and Nadyne Ulicny.

On May 1, 2017, the men and woman of our congregation came together for the BYO Game Nite. Sisterhood provided the snacks and beverages while those attending brought their game of choice. We had mahjong players, Canasta players and a group playing poker. It was really an enjoyable evening. Please consider joining us when we have one in the future. No muss, no fuss, just play and have a good time.

Carol Carty, Fundraising V.P.

Book Club: We will begin the new year of our book club in September with the book The Lost Torah of Shanghai by Linda Frank. An ancient Iraqi Torah is stolen from the heroine’s Chinese American cousin’s father. The mystery revolves around the return of the Torah as well as the situation in Israel at this time. It also describes the history of the Jews in China. Our guest speaker will be Mark Britanisky who grew up in China and will speak on his upbringing in the country.

Thank You Notes:
From Rabbi Bloom for the Community Seder invitation.
From Reverend Dr. Klatt III from Christ Lutheran Church for the Community Seder invitation.
Candy Solomon – Corresponding Secretary
Meeting called to order by President Pennie Meiselman
Board Prayer and D’Vor Torah read
Motion made, seconded and passed to accept minutes

**Rabbi’s Report:**
- Main focus has been with Religious School and getting ready for new year
- Moving forward with search for a Director of Jewish Youth Education
- Meeting this evening with the three students who have just returned from the March of the Living. Looking forward to hearing their collective insight regarding their trip

**Treasurer’s Report:**
- Statements being prepared to be mailed the end of May
- Motion made, seconded, and passed to accept report
- Reported on recommendations from Budget Committee
- Recommended establishment of Task Force to identify new revenue sources
- Motion made, seconded and passed to accept 2017/18 budget as presented

**Membership Report:**
- Membership held a new member/ambassador party the end of April
- Brought three new resident member families forward for approval. Motion made, seconded and approved

**Information Items:**
- Board is investigating cost for additional handicap parking spaces and paving over gravel in the back of the building
- Reminder that Six Oaks Cemetery promotion will be ending on June 15
- Yom HaShoah Holocaust Service was streamed live and was very well received. We hope to be able to stream more services in the near future
- Meeting adjourned

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**Social Action Committee—Judie Aronson & Janet Weingarten, Co-chairs**

On May 15 Social Action Committee members stocked shelves at Deep Well. Thanks to Cathy Kite for chairing this project and those members who helped. Once again Tena Graber coordinated working with Family Promise to feed and host families who are in need of housing. Thanks to those that worked with Tena. Judie and Janet met with members of St. Andrews Churches’ Bridge Builders group to discuss ideas for education programs on the needs of the native island community. Have a good and restful summer and think about ways to promote social action and justice to promote a better community.

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**Library Committee—Felicia Pascal**

_The Physician_ by Noah Gordon
Reviewed by Marcia Mann

It is the eleventh century in Saxon England. A time of brutality, superstition, and witchcraft. A penniless young boy, Rob Cole, believes he has the gift of healing, and wishes to become a physician. His quest for learning takes him, disguised as a Jew, (for only Jews were allowed to enter the Muslim schools of learning), on an amazing journey through lands of turmoil, plague and war, where he is often given succor and support by local Hebrews. Finally, arrived in Persia, Rob, in the garb of a poor traveling Jew, is permitted to enroll in the school of the greatest healer of his time. And his story continues. A fascinating read, especially for lovers of historical fiction, from a writer who is wonderfully adept at drawing his reader into the moment, regardless of time or place.
Saturday, June 3, 10:00 AM
Join Rabbi Bloom and
Student Cantor Daniel Geigerman
for Torah Study

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For more information contact JoAnne Doyle

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