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*Search others for their virtues, thyself for thy vices.* — Benjamin Franklin
**Social Action Committee—Corridor of Shame—Highway to Hope**

“People of good will, this is a shout out to all of you!” said Jacqueline O’Bannon, Executive Director of the Antioch Education Center in Jasper County, in closing remarks to an audience of more than 120 people on February 18. She was among four panelists who, led by moderator Susan Sneider, explained the troublesome, complicated concerns in the Jasper County school system and the county in general.

Ms. O’Bannon was joined by Honorable Jeffrey Bradley, who represents District 123 in the state House of Representatives, Mr. Ned McNair, a community activist, and Ms. Marva Tigner, Senior Executive Director of Academics and Federal Programs in the Jasper County School District. Present also were members of the Jasper County Board of Education, State Senator Tom Davis, and members of the Lowcountry Homeless Coalition, co-sponsors of the evening.

Susan Sneider led all through the district’s complex problems and its attempts to force the state to direct attention and resources to improving the quality of education in Jasper County. Mr. Bradley indicated a task force presented its findings in December, and already 6 related bills were to be debated beginning next week. Ms. Tigner stated that money alone wouldn’t solve the problems. Difficulty retaining good teachers and the high rate of poverty has a profound effect. Ms. O’Bannon said that the Antioch Center, by working with families, hopes to move young people into “upward mobility” as it provides tutoring, mentoring and support for them.

The audience’s questions were many and varied. Along with viewing a shorter version of the documentary “Corridor of Shame,” the evening provided much food for thought about how each of us can help. Ned McNair warned us not to depend on government to teach kids the important “non-academic” things they need for successful lives. “We have to do it,” he said.

Rabbi’s column will continue in April.

Be sure to attend a special Shabbat on March 4, at 7:30 PM as he recounts the CBY congregants’ trip to Israel and the subsequent CCAR (Central Conference of American Rabbis) convention.
Ritual Committee ~ David Kurjan, Chair

- We are looking into the possibility of a youth service for High Holy Days this fall. It would be led by Adriana Urato with major participation by the older teens and would be designed for youth ages 11 and older. The service would last for 1-1.5 hours and be held in the JRC. Following the service there would be light refreshments/snacks in a Religious School classroom, presumably the youth lounge that would be in place by then. There would also be a guitarist to accompany Adriana.
- Rabbi Bloom’s sermon at Shabbat services on Friday, March 4 at 7:30 PM will be a report about the CBY trip to Israel.
- Rev. Wootton and congregants from the First Baptist Church of Beaufort will be in attendance at the March 25 Shabbat service.
- Also coming up in March will be the Hot Topics Shabbat on March 19 with Rabbi Bloom and Student Cantor Dubin. The subject will be Expiation of Sin for Countries relative to Violation of Human Rights.
- Last, but certainly not least, our Purim service with reading of the Megillah will take place on Wednesday, March 23, at 6:00 PM. The theme this year (surprise!) is Star Wars. There would also be a “beauty contest” for best hamantaschen, with Chewbacca (Rabbi Bloom) as the judge.
Shalom Friends,

As Spring begins, our thoughts turn to the joyous celebration of Passover. Please join us for our 16th Annual Women’s Seder, Wednesday, March 30 at 11:00 AM. This Seder will be different from our family Seders because we speak particularly about women. As we relive the story of our escape from bondage and oppression, we move toward the freedom of making choices, freedom that comes as we begin to know ourselves. Our Seder will be led by Elaine Lust, using the CBY Women’s Haggadah, which was awarded a Certificate of Excellence in Religious Programming at the WRJ Southeast District conference. Please CLICK HERE for more information.

On the second night of Passover, Saturday, April 23, Sisterhood will host our Community Seder, led by Rabbi Bloom. This Seder, open to members and their families, non affiliates and area visitors, is an event not to be missed. Please reserve early. This event always sells out. CLICK HERE for more information.

Through the years one of Sisterhood’s strongest commitments has been to enhancing the education and Jewish experience of children. Our Sisterhood is delighted to continue this tradition by contributing support to our Religious School children who will be attending URJ camps this summer. We thank all of you who participated in our Sweetheart Luncheon with proceeds going to Sisterhood’s Youth Camp Fund. What a wonderful summer it will be!

B’Shalom,

Cathy

Book Club

Join us for lunch on Thursday, March 10 at 12:30 PM at the Moss Creek Country Club as Kathy Burnce reviews the book, *Boston Girl* by Anita Diamant, author of *The Red Tent*, an unforgettable novel about family ties, values, friendship and feminism through the eyes of a young Jewish woman (Addie Baum) growing up in Boston in the early 20th century. RSVP to Judie Aronson at (843) 342.6126.

Lilith Salon

Our next Lilith Salon will be held on Tuesday, April 5th at 6:00 PM. This meeting will be a complete deviation from our previous meetings. You will be pleased and delighted, we think. CLICK HERE for further information.

Community Seder

Spring and Passover are right around the corner! Mark your calendars for the CBY Community Seder, on Saturday, April 23, 2016 at 5:00 PM. The Seder will be led by Rabbi Bloom, with musical accompaniment by Adriana Urato and David Kimbell. It will once again be catered by the SERG Group. Everyone enjoyed their wonderful food last year! Be on the lookout for the opening of reservations. It fills up fast and space is limited.

Onegs


Sweetheart Luncheon—Raising Funds for Camp

Linda, Rabbi, Pink Magazine Editor, Elizabeth Millen & Diane Miller

Rabbi and Linda Bloom recite the *Song of Songs*, in honor of all sweethearts.

Social Action Committee — Judie Aronson and Janet Weingarten, Co-Chairs

It has been a busy and rewarding winter for the committee. We started off the year with a successful Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. program. In February, we highlighted the need to ensure equality in education throughout South Carolina and brought attention to what is being done in our neighboring county, Jasper. The program was co-sponsored by The Hunger Coalition of the Lowcountry (Backpack Buddies). Feeding children’s minds go hand-in-hand with feeding their tummies. Attendees brought educational materials that were donated to the Antioch Center in Jasper. The program could not have happened without the help of the following congregants: Alys Blumberg, Kathy Burnce, JoAnne Doyle, Janice Fradkin, Myra Goldschmidt, Jill Harrison, Ellen Jenner, Cathy Kite, Pete Leff, Jack Miller, Jeremy Press, Eve Sanker, Susan Sneider and the CBY office staff.

We will highlight the need to help those that are nutritionally underserved in our country. We will be collecting money for Mazon at both the Women’s Seder and the Community Seder. This Jewish organization works with activist groups in temples to find ways to get help for all hungry citizens by helping to change government processes and legislation and supporting food banks. As we enjoy our delicious Passover meals remember the plight of our people as well as those in need today.

The Social Action Committee always welcomes new members and new programs to support social action and justice in our community as well as the world community. Please join us on the 3rd Monday of the month at 3:30 PM in the JRC.
Abstract of Board Meeting ~ February 8, 2016 — Judy Bluestone, Recording Secretary

- The Board observed a moment of silence in memory of past president and CBY founder Paula Flink of blessed memory.
- Jeremy Press presented recommendations for updates and upgrades in security at CBY. Included are better security for the religious school and new security for Jewish Resource Room. The front door will now have a magnetic lock to be opened with key fobs. The Board approved the recommendations, the cost of which will be covered from the capital reserves. Jeremy will offer three orientation sessions for members to learn about the system.
- The Treasurer reported that expenses and income are in line with the budget.
- Rabbi Bloom announced that Alan Krumholz and Josh Appel will lead services on the shabbats that he is in Israel. Rabbi Bloom has been meeting with supportive but non-active members and finds the experience very rewarding and interesting. He reminded the Board that he will be starting open door hours in March.
- The Board voted on a new resident family Eliza and Michael Walsh.
- The Friends of Beth Yam campaign is progressing. Members are reminded to participate and support this campaign essential to the health of CBY.
- The Texas Hold’Em event was a great friend raiser and netted over $700 toward our fundraising goal.
- 92Y is now under the leadership of Linda Bloom and three programs have been chosen for the spring season beginning with an evening with Joel Gray and Gay Talese. A team has been assembled to begin planning for CBY’s dinner/auction Gala on April 1, 2017.
- The Governance Task Force has been renamed the Task Force for Special Projects. A training on safety and fire emergency procedures for interested members has been announced by Felicia Roth; the committee will address CBY committee structure, leadership succession and committees’ missions.
- The Religious School continues with their busy schedule; next Family Shabbat will be led by the Gimel class on February 26; for the first time CBY has more children in the mid and high school grades; student enrollment for 2016-17 is expected to be about 46 children; 4 youth group students are interested in the spring kallah at Camp Coleman; Rachel Pepin, as adviser, is the “go to” person for inquiries about the Youth Group.
- This Tidings has information for members wishing to be considered for a board nomination.
- Helen Haney and Ceil Treiss have been hired to staff the CBY office.
- A class for those wishing to learn to blow shofar has been proposed and approved.
- The office renovation project has been approved.
- The Paula Flink Memorial Music Fund has been established by Paula’s family.
- The Care Committee will initiate a group for members dealing with personal loss.

Care Committee—Susan Britanisky & Sandy Leff—Co-Chairs

MOVING FORWARD: Dealing with Grief

The death of someone close can be a life-changing experience and it can affect every aspect of your life for some time. Bereavement, grief and mourning are normal responses, but knowing you are not alone in the grieving process can be a source of strength, encouragement and understanding. Although each person experiences grief in his or her own way, people who are grieving the death of a loved one share a common bond. Support groups provide an atmosphere of acceptance and understanding where members can talk safely about their experiences, feelings and concerns and encourage new insights and perspectives in the sharing of knowledge.

The CBY Care Committee will offer bereavement sessions for those who are experiencing the loss of a loved one. They will take place at CBY every other Tuesday afternoon from 3:00-4:30 PM, beginning April 5. We are pleased to provide a grief facilitator from outside the temple community who has had extensive experience leading bereavement groups. The Care Committee will cover the costs for this program.

Please call or email Susan Britanisky (843) 842-5244 or Sandy Leff (843) 341-2240 with any questions and to reserve your place.

Starting on Wednesday, March 9, Rabbi Bloom will have open office hours for any congregant who would like to stop in and, without an appointment, sit down and visit. Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30 AM and Thursdays from 2:00-4:00 PM will become an “open door” period. If and when there are two or more congregants waiting, Rabbi will limit these time frames for each person. If an individual needs to meet further then Rabbi Bloom will set up an appointment for more detailed meetings. The only times that Rabbi will not be in the office at these designated times is if a funeral is scheduled for those times, there is a pastoral emergency or if Rabbi Bloom is out of town. Rabbi Bloom is hopeful that more congregants will come and visit with him. Thank you for your attention.
Library Committee — Linda Stern and Felicia Pascal

Are you interested in recommending a book to Tidings readers? How about submitting a book review? We have 2 requirements: 1) the book has a Jewish subject or a Jewish author and 2) it is already in our collection so that others may use this opportunity to enjoy the book or that you are willing to provide us with a copy (used books in good condition are cheerfully accepted).

We actively maintain a current listing of our holdings on the CBY web page. Michael Shapiro, our Webmaster, continues to work diligently to use the information provided by the JRC committee to keep the list current. Access to the page can be accomplished as follows:

1. Go to bethyam.org
2. Click on Learning, then Our Library
3. Scroll in the first section to Click Here
4. Behold! Our holdings unfold before your eyes.

If computer access is not your thing, there is a printed copy of the listing on the desk at the front desk of the JRC. Please forward your review to (843) 682-8211.

Book Review: The Jewish Connection by M. Hirsh Goldberg—Reviewed by Marcia Mann

How did the turkey get its name? Luis de Torres, who served as an interpreter for Columbus, saw these large birds and gave them the Hebrew name for peacock, tukki.

This fascinating book talks about the Jewish “connections”, using anecdotes to relate to events and western innovations. He tells us that the ninth of Av, the day of the destruction of the Temples, marks the holiday of Tisha B’Av, a day of fasting, mourning and special prayers. Other calamities befell Jews on this date such as the fall of the fortress of Bether in 135 ending the Bar Kochba rebellion. On that same date in 1290, Jews were expelled from England and the date marks the proclamation outlawing Jews from Spain in 1492. The date continues to be ominous, not only for Jews, but for the world, marking Germany’s entry as a combatant in World War I.

The author contends that the diaspora Jew is civilization’s bee, pollinating one culture with the ideas of another, and always bringing a special contribution to the mix. The book is delightful, ironic, sometimes funny, but always thought provoking and interesting.
**Temple Tidings**

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**The Outreach Committee of Congregation Beth Yam**

Join us at noon on four separate Wednesdays:

- **February 2**: A Jewish World Remembered
- **February 9**: Jews in America
- **February 23**: A Jewish People - Story of Survival
- **March 9**: Jerusalem, Center of the World

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Rabbi Bloom’s travel tales of his recent exciting trip to Israel

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**Sixteenth Annual Congregation Beth Yam Sisterhood**

**Women's Seder**

*In Celebration of Women*

**Wednesday**

**March 30, 2016**

**11:00 AM**

$35 for Sisterhood members & their mothers

$40 for Guests

Contact: Helen Hauer, (843) 785-1933 for reservations

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**92Y Live**

Programs broadcast live via satellite

**Tuesday, March 22nd, 8:15 PM**

At Congregation Beth Yam Social Hall

**U.S. Foreign Policy and the 2016 Election**

With Walter Russell Mead, Gideon Rose, David J. Rothkopf and Bret Stephens

Four of America’s most distinguished foreign policy experts explore crucial issues that our next President must face. Unprecedented turmoil in the Middle East, belligerence and muscle-flexing from Moscow, economic and political uncertainties in Europe and China determined to supplant US influence in Asia...how should America’s next President deal with all of this?

More information at www.bethyam.org/92yLive

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**Meet the Author**

**Melissa Fay Greene**

*in person at CBY*

**Thursday, April 14, 7:00 PM**

Join us as she discusses her award-winning book

*The Temple Bombing* about the civil rights movement

Please send your reservations to

adulteducation@bethyam.org

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**Lunch & Learn**

**Book Club**

**Date:** Thursday, April 14
**Time:** 12:30 PM

Join us as award-winning author Melissa Fay Greene facilitates a discussion based on her book, *The Temple Bombing*

Bring lunch. Coffee and dessert will be available.

More information at www.bethyam.org or contact Barbara Slagowski at (843) 681-6522

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For more information contact JoAnne Doyle
Men’s Club—Alan Krumholz, President

Our next board and brunch meetings will be on **Tuesday March 8th**. The board will meet at CBY at 9:00 AM; the Men’s Club will meet for a brunch meeting at the on island IHOP at 10:00 AM.

The Events Committee will be presenting the finalized first half of the 2016 calendar at our board meeting. We will also get a report on the golf tournament. Both of these items will be presented at the general meeting as well. Additionally we are hoping to have our annual meeting the first Sunday in June at CBY with a “fancy” brunch, more to follow. Finally, we will be working on a dinner meeting for May. 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.

The Golf Committee has begun planning for the 2016 tourney—the first step is course selection. Please contact Steve Burstein with suggestions or if you wish to be involved in helping make this event as successful as it has been.

Finally, and **most importantly**, we have had to move our E-mail communication to constant contact. If you are a dues paying member and not receiving our regular E-mails it is because your system is blocking the communication using Constant Contact and let me know and we will send you a direct Email to help you fix the problem going forward. Thanks for your cooperation.

Fundraising Committee—Alan Meiselman, Chair

The Texas Hold’em Tournament was a great success. Thirty five congregants gathered to play and to cheer on their favorites. Both the Temple and the players at the final table were participants in the fundraising. The excitement lasted well into the evening, with the final pair having a very exciting finish. The chips were flying back and forth until the final draw down. A very good time was had by all.

We are looking forward to the Casino Cruise on May 15, on board the Tradewinds, out of Savannah. A large turnout of members and friends is expected. This is a different take on our successful Dine-Around program, chaired by Diane Miller. Please look elsewhere in Tidings for details.

The first 92Y LIVE program of the spring semester took place on Tuesday February 16. The chairperson, Linda Bloom, technical advisor Jeremy Press and money launderer Marty Katz all enabled us to bring in nearly 75 attendees for a very interesting evening. Next up, on March 22, will be an informative discussion about US foreign policy and the 2016 election at 8:15 PM. Please register early as we expect a good sized crowd.

On Saturday, March 26, we will attend a performance of the Peking Acrobats at the Arts Center at 8:00 PM. Preceding the show we will dine-around at OKKO at 5:45 PM. Please note that the show & dinner are separate events, but ticket holders will receive first priority for seating at OKKO. Dinner is limited to 40 people.

With the participation of several congregants the Ad Directory is off to a nice start. Please remember that our goal is one ad from each congregant family. This is our largest fundraising effort this year. We need everyone’s help to make it successful.

FREEDOM: The state of being at liberty rather than in confinement or under physical restraint; the power to determine one’s own action; the power to make one’s own choices or decisions without restraint.

This is the season of freedom and renewal. As Passover approaches, we realize how many of our holidays are connected to the struggle for freedom from slavery. These celebrations help us to recall our past and help us consider and reflect upon the extraordinary freedoms we enjoy today.

The season of Passover accentuates our responsibility to preserve the liberties we cherish. We have both an individual and communal obligation to take action and get involved.

Freedom is found when you:

- Have the right to speak out.
- Accept the charge to make your opinion heard.
- Are able to advocate for something you believe in.
- When you live in a society that permits free movement.
- In your own determination and free will.
- At your Passover Seder when you celebrate with joy and without fear.

Freedom is found in your voice – make it heard - by voting, by joining, by Judaism.

Your Board of Directors wishes you and yours a zissen Pesach and all the joys available in this wonderful country of ours.

“Remember that you were a slave in Egypt.” It is a great part of our rite and ritual. It connects us to our history, unites us with our present and links us to the future. Passover gives us a good opportunity to re-examine our lives. We must never take our freedom for granted; how fortunate we are in this country to enjoy that precious right. We must always remember that independence of every kind is hard won and easily lost.
April will be a big month for our committee. Melissa Fay Greene, award winning author, will spend the day with us. Mark your calendars to save Thursday April 14. At 12:30 PM we will have our lunch and learn book club. She will discuss “Praying for Sheetrock.” Bring your lunch, coffee and dessert will be served.

At 7:00 PM that evening come and meet the author as she discusses “The Temple Bombing,” a terrific book about the Jews of Atlanta and the civil rights movement.

Righteous Gentiles Series: Our joint Dinner and a Movie with the Italian American club was a huge success. The movie and the food were wonderful. In April, we will co sponsor a showing of a documentary “Two Who Dared” with the Unitarian Church. Details to be determined.

The Yiddish Project will continue with the advanced beginner lessons. Anyone interested in joining please contact (843) 682-8211 with your preferred days and times. No problem if you did not take the beginner lessons, you can easily catch up. Anyone interested in continuing your Hebrew lessons, please contact Janice Kaden to make arrangements.

This month our Religious School celebrated Tu BiShevat - the birthday of the trees, with song and poetry. Our Bet students (2nd and 3rd graders) led our Family Shabbat Services, honoring the trees in song and prayer, and Bet parents laid out a beautiful spread of fruits and nuts from trees for the Oneg that followed. Our Gimel students used their creative juices and put their personal thoughts reflecting on the spirituality of trees onto a leaf of our famous hallway tree. (see photo).

Gimel students (4th and 5th graders) also prepared to lead the Family Shabbat Service on February 26, with the theme of “Peace and Tikkun Olam.” In this challenging time of strife throughout the world, we all enjoyed hearing their personal reflections on what peace means to them. Our Kita Gan and Aleph classes (pre-school through 1st grade) also began to prepare for their turn on the Bimah!

Student Cantor Dubin spent time with our students twice this month. Our halls are alive with students practicing blessings, songs, and other liturgy. We look forward to her return this month when she will lead the Family Shabbat with our youngest students.

Rabbi Bloom is excited to announce that he will be leading an adult B’nai Mitzvot preparation program to begin this spring. The first step of this program began with a beginning Hebrew reading class sponsored by the Adult Education Committee. It is expected that participants of the class that plan to prepare for B’nai Mitzvot will continue to expand their Hebrew reading skills with a tutor.

The components of goals of the Adult B’nai Mitzvot Program are to acquire Hebrew reading skills, explore the connection between life and liturgy and to increase activity and commitment to enhance the spiritual life of the congregation. There will be 10 two hour group classes led by Rabbi Bloom. They will take place on one Saturday morning per month over a 10 month period. There will also be private sessions with Rabbi Bloom for seven weeks prior to the B’nai Mitzvot date. This will be a flexible program designed to be meaningful to each of the participants. They may have an individual date or do it as a group. The only cost to the participants will be for materials and tutoring as needed.

Please be on the lookout for more information regarding an orientation, dates of the sessions and registration after Rabbi Bloom returns from Israel.
TODAY’S NEWS

“Janice and I purchased our first home on Hilton Head just three years ago. With Jack’s help we were able to turn our condo into a home. We were very pleased with the work Jack performed, so when it came time to sell our condo for health reasons, we turned again to Jack for help. Our designer and Jack worked so well together that, after the initial planning stages, Janice and I left the island to spend the next four months at our home in Atlanta. This time we were not at all anxious about working long distance. We spoke with Jack frequently for updates. We received frequent photos of the work that was being done. Janice and I both feel that the work Jack and his team performed exceeded our expectations, and we now have another beautiful home on Hilton Head Island. Thanks Jack for an enjoyable and pretty much stress free experience!”

Group 4 Builders had the opportunity to help Maury and Janice settle into their beautiful new home. Renovations included: new master bath, refinished kitchen cabinets, new hardwood floors, painting of all ceilings, walls and trim, new built in cabinet and much more.

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