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The US-Israel Relationship
Dennis Ross & Alan Dershowitz
Sunday, Oct 18, 7:30 pm

50 Years After Nostra Aetate: Catholic, Jewish & Latino Relationships in the Age of a Latino Pope
Tuesday, Oct 20, 8:15 pm

In Conversation with Peggy Noonan
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John Irving Explores His New Novel: Avenue of Mysteries
Thursday, Nov 5, 8:00 pm

The Big Issues: US-China Relations and Foreign Policy
Nicholas Burns & Jon Huntsman
Thursday, Nov 12, 8:15 pm

Politics and Pundits
Cong. Steve Israel with Chris Matthews
Sunday, Nov 15, 7:30 pm

At Congregation Beth Yam, 4501 Meeting St., Hilton Head Island
Tickets are $15 each or $75 for series - discount for members
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CALLING ALL MEN!
New meeting
12:15 PM
September 8
Sign up now!
for Congregation Beth Yam Men’s Club
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Contact Alan Krumholz for more information
More information at www.bethyam.org

We are Stronger Together
Congregation Beth Yam Sisterhood’s Membership Renewal is Now In Progress!
Membership forms are available in the office or click here
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Beth Yam Office Emails

The bethyam@aol.com is the main office email address.  
We each also have separate email addresses that only that recipient can see.

- Michele Johnson – mjohson.cby@gmail.com  
- Karen Smith – ksmith.cby@gmail.com  
- Book keeper Dianne Lindquist – bethyam3@aol.com

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Please delete it from your records.

NOSTRA AETATE— What is it? Why should we care?

**What does Nostra Aetate say about Judaism?**

“Nostra Aetate” (literally “in our time”) is one of the documents of the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965). Promulgated on October 28, 1965, it is arguably the most important moment in modern Jewish-Christian relations.

- It repudiates the long standing charge of deicide (that the Jews killed Jesus)
- It affirms the religious bond and spiritual legacy shared by Jews and the Church
- It implies that God and the Jews abide in covenant, a recognition that was made explicit by John Paul II and subsequent popes.
- It deplors “all hatreds, persecutions, displays of anti-Semitism directed at Jews at any time or from any source.”
- It stresses the need for accurate biblical interpretation and religious education so that negative views of Jews and Judaism are not presented as biblically based or as authentic Catholic teaching
- It calls for respectful dialogue and collaborative biblical and theological inquiry between Jews and Catholics
- It expresses no interest in further efforts to baptize Jews. It relegates the resolution of the Jewish and Christian disagreement over Jesus’ significance to the end of history.

**Why is Nostra Aetate significant?** Nostra Aetate, which has been described as a “sea-change,” effectively reversed centuries of the “teaching of contempt for Jews and Judaism,” which held that the Jews were collectively and perpetually accursed for the death of Jesus and that God replaced them with the Church as the new “Israel.” That Nostra Aetate came with very high teaching authority from the Roman Catholic Church, which in size and influence is unequalled in the Christian world, makes it especially important.

Excerpted from an article published by the Anti-Defamation League.

****Please see the Adult Education article on page 10 of this issue that informs us of the program relating to the above.
I listen to many people’s issues. The predicament that makes most people angry enough to want to talk to me is when someone has said something to them that they find offensive. Someone, a friend, a relative, involved in a conversation makes a remark and creates a moment of drama or anger. Admittedly, I am only hearing one side of the story and as the old adage goes, the truth is somewhere in the middle. As I have said over and over again that, at least in the temple, it’s personal. We are all, including myself, sensitive and vulnerable to what others say to us. So what are some insights that might help us avoid these conflicts in the future?

I recommend the book of Proverbs as a roadmap in order to avoid or minimize conflicts with other people. The main premise is trying to live a life of truth and at the same time being careful about what we say before we say it. In chapter 12:22 it is written, “The wise value silence, the ignorant prefer to babble.”

We are an extremely social congregation and we have many opportunities to engage in conversations that lead to all kinds of reactions including misunderstanding, hurt feelings and wisecracks that inflame tempers. One thing leads to the other and the effects spread through social circles in the Temple.

Do we need to take the lessons of Proverbs seriously? Is it time to speak less and listen more? Further on in chapter 12:26 it is written, “The wise overlook the foibles of others and the wicked obsess over them.” Is it not time that we bring a bit more of a big picture to our interactions with others? What I mean is that people say things that sometimes come out wrong, which does not make them bad. Sometimes it takes having a thicker skin and learning how to bypass an incidental comment or judgmental remark about someone else. Other times can we learn to change the subject or excuse ourselves and walk away. People usually get the point. Let’s not forget that Judaism is not only about ritual practices but also about relationships and how we behave in our daily lives. Our faith is very much ethics oriented when it comes to speech that touches on the topics of gossip, slander or off the cuff comments even made in jest. They all have an impact and sometimes we do not realize what we have said or never learn how we may have hurt someone we care about.

In chapter 13:3 it is written, “Guard your tongue and you guard your soul; speak without reflection and you invite disaster.” Ancient wisdom which still applies today when it comes to being careful before we speak. One of the most important areas to be extra careful is when we write an email. People seem to treat email as another form of conversation and things that are said in emails can be equally destructive and damaging. We would do well to measure our words carefully in the future. If we aren’t more careful we run the risk of losing long term friendships in a single instant. That is the greatest loss. Now that we begin a new year let us try a little more to weigh what we say and how we say it to our friends and neighbors. Remember what is written, “Observe the truth and the way is clear; ignore it and you lose direction” (13:6).

Shalom

Rabbi Brad L. Bloom MSW DD

Rabbi’s Message
President's Message

What does it mean to go to temple (shul)? Do you go to services because you like the tradition of a Shabbat service, to become a part of the Jewish community and see your current friends or meet new people?

When Bob and I moved to Hilton Head we started to attend Shabbat services. At first we did not attend regularly but as we came to connect with this energetic Jewish community I began to love the service, appreciate the members, get to know a whole new community where I might share common goals and enjoy watching young families who came with their children. Rabbi Bloom certainly had the knowledge and charisma to keep us attending services.

We were not regular attending members of our shul in Pittsburgh but we certainly are now. The people of Beth Yam usually do not have family close by and the temple becomes their extended family.

Come to services and also join committees like the Sisterhood Book Club, become a greeter as part of the Membership Committee and meet the members as they enter the temple for services, join Adult Education and help form programming, join the Fundraising Committee and help with an exciting program being developed, join the Ritual Committee and be a Ritual Representative on Shabbat, join the Men’s Club and enjoy golf with the men or a monthly lunch program, join the Outreach Committee and participate in the interfaith programs, join the Arts and Acquisition Committee and help make the synagogue beautiful, join the Care Committee and make hospital visits to our members, think about joining the choir and help make our Shabbat services more meaningful with your voice or join the Social Action Committee whose members work tirelessly for social justice. Become part of any of our many committees and begin to meet the many facets of this beautiful place.

Becoming an involved temple member helps make each of us happier and more fulfilled. And, yes it’s going to shul, but more importantly, it’s being open to looking and finding a community based on Jewish life. I highly recommend it.

Twyla

Ritual Committee ~ David Kurjan

The Ritual committee hopes that you all had an inspiring Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. This was an exciting time for us as we used the new machzorim for the first time. We had been anticipating these services for quite a while, and I am sure we all have many different impressions of the services this year. What were yours? Let us know.

Be sure to mark on your calendar the Sukkot Yizkor service on Tuesday, October 6, at 10:00 AM as well as our Simchat Torah celebration that evening at 7:15 PM, when we will roll the Torah all the way back to The Beginning, literally.

Also, don’t forget Torah study on Saturday, October 17 at 10:00 AM on our duty to care for animal life as a mitzvah in the Torah, followed by the annual Blessing of the Animals on Sunday, October 18 at 11:30 AM.

Library—Linda Stern and Felicia Pascal

We are very grateful for the vast collection of books and DVD’s contributed by Helen Hauer. As many of you know, her husband Harold was an avid and knowledgeable student of ancient history and archeology and he used these materials in his lectures and talks. We will endeavor to create a display of the DVD’s and books very soon. Here are some DVD titles of these valued additions:

- The Dead Sea Scrolls (Great Courses)
- Biblical Archeology From the Ground Down (Biblical Archeology Soc.)
- The Holy Land Revealed (Great Courses)
- The Old Testament (Great Courses)
- Beginnings of Judaism (Great Courses)
- The Exodus Decoded (History Channel) (History Channel)
- The Bible in Context (Biblical Archeology Soc.)
- Between Cross and Crescent: Jewish Civilization from Mohamed to Spinoza (Great Courses)

Other book titles:
- Jacob’s Legacy; A Genetic View of Jewish History
- Reclaiming the Dead Sea Scrolls; Their True Meaning for Judaism and Christianity
- Abraham’s Children: Race, Identity and the DNA of the Chosen People

All of these new additions, DVD’s, books and photo archives are available for loan to members of the CBY community. We invite you to take advantage of this material and all our other holdings.

Check out the following link to see the books in our library catalog on CBY Website: [www.bethyam.org/images/stories/pdfs/libraryinventory080814.pdf](http://www.bethyam.org/images/stories/pdfs/libraryinventory080814.pdf)
What if there were no Beth Yam?

Congregation Beth Yam is more than a spiritual center for the Jewish community. Here in Hilton Head and the Low Country of South Carolina. For many, it is also the center of their social life. Without CBY, the Jewish community would be left with no weekly Shabbat or holiday services...no Hebrew or religious school and youth programs...no social or Jewish educational programs...no focal point for Jewish life.

Most of our members have been very generous with their time and financial contributions; but what a lot of members may not realize is that only about 60% of the financial resources needed for CBY to function are provided by members’ annual dues. The rest must be made up from various fundraisers such as the 92nd Street Y programs, the Dine-Arounds, the CBY golf tournament, the galas and other social fundraising events. But even with all the careful planning and continuous oversight by the leadership, CBY falls short of the monies needed to continue providing those things we enjoy and have grown to expect.

That is why the Friends Campaign is so very important. It allows us to fill the gap in the budget and provides the remaining funds CBY so badly needs. The 2015/2016 Friends Campaign gets underway shortly. We thank those who have been so generous in the past and hope that they will continue to be supportive. Those who have not given in the past, we can only hope that you can donate something to this year’s campaign. We know that money is tight for those on a fixed income or raising young families, but no contribution is too small.

We need your support to keep the operations of CBY moving forward and helping to secure its future. Thanks goes out to those members who have already donated for 2015/2016. Request letters to all other members will be sent out shortly. On behalf of the leadership of Congregation Beth Yam, we thank you.

Care Committee—Susan Britanisky and Sandy Leff, Co-Chairs

“Those who bring sunshine into the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves.”

J.M. Barrie

Care Committee volunteers Ellen Jenner, Susan Britanisky and Sandy Leff visited with 20 Jewish seniors at residential facilities in Hilton Head and Bluffton, bringing apples, honey, New Year’s cards and wishes, and lots of good cheer for the holidays! We received many smiles of appreciation in return! (see photos below)

The Care Committee continues to make visits to congregants in Hilton Head Hospital and some rehabilitation facilities. If you know of someone admitted to the hospital, especially through the ER, which does not always list patients by religious affiliation, and you feel that person would benefit from a visit, please call Susan Britanisky or Sandy Leff. Also, the Care Committee could use new volunteers for hospital visits, which involves “being on call” only one week every 8-10 weeks, for patient visits of 5-10 minutes. If you can help with this mitzvah, please call us for more information.

Thanks to Lynne Irvine, the Care Committee has accumulated a list of special resources available in the community, from assisted living facilities to organizations providing food and health support. Please call Sandy, Susan, or Lynn Irvine if you need some information.

The Care Committee will now deliver a welcome home meal to members in need of food after a hospitalization, accident or trauma. Please tell us if you know of a congregant who can utilize this service.

On Wednesday, December 9, the Care Committee will again present a free Chanukah celebration and luncheon for CBY congregants and Jewish seniors who find it difficult to attend evening services or programs. As such, a reprise of last year’s “Gershwin does Hanukah” presentation will take place at 11:30 AM with a latke lunch to follow. Reservations are necessary to Sandy Leff (843) 341-2240 or Susan Britanisky (843) 842-5244. Please join us for the fun!
L'Shanah Tovah! Sisterhood would like to extend best wishes for a happy and healthy New Year to all of our members and the entire CBY Congregation. May the New Year bring many opportunities for us to enrich our lives through the events and projects sponsored by Sisterhood.

Every October Sisterhood members come together for our Membership Appreciation Luncheon. This annual event is the “kick off” to another year of stimulating Sisterhood programming. The luncheon is complimentary to all members who have paid their 2015 – 2016 dues and all women who are new members of CBY. Please join us Thursday, October 22 at 11:00 AM in the CBY social hall for an afternoon of camaraderie, delicious food and an uplifting presentation about Women Of Reform Judaism’s YES Fund, an inspiring short film, *Real Women Making A Real Difference*. For reservations please call Kathy Burnce at (843) 757-0869.

The Youth, Education and Special Projects Fund, established in 1955, is a formalization of services begun in 1913. It originally provided scholarships for rabbinc students but now reaches Jewish people worldwide. Through the YES Fund, WRJ has awarded grants to many programs that strengthen the Reform movement and help facilitate religious, social and educational programs through the world. The members of our Sisterhood Board will also provide an overview of our Sisterhood programs for the coming year. Please click here for further details. [http://bethyam.org/community/sisterhood](http://bethyam.org/community/sisterhood)

I encourage you to visit [www.wrj.org](http://www.wrj.org) to learn more about the good works and advocacy that define our modern day Sisterhood.

B’Shalom,

*Cathy*

Join us on December 10 at 12:30 PM at The Cypress for the next meeting of the Sisterhood Book Club as Diane Miller reviews the book, *In The Unlikely Event* by Judy Blume. This is the story of three generations of friends and strangers whose lives are changed when they witness three plane crashes. Judy Blume created this novel from events she witnessed as a young girl. The price for lunch (Price Fixed) will be reported at a later date. Don't wait too long to make your reservation. Contact Ellen Lash at (843) 681-5217.

**Onegs:**
Thank you to all those hosting onegs during the month of August: Pennie Meiselman, Cokie Citron, Janice Fradkin & Sharon Bass.

And a special thanks to those who made the Selichot dessert reception so wonderful: Sharon Bass, Judy Bluestone, Janice Fradkin, Cathy Kite, Randy Kurjan & Paula Rudman.

The CBY Sisterhood is delighted to support our friends and neighbors at All Saints Episcopal Church. They are holding a Soup and Salad Dinner and Auction to provide funds for Habitat for Humanity to completely build a house on Hilton Head Island. The event will take place on October 5th in our own CBY Social Hall. All Saints is undergoing some renovation, so we are opening our doors to them for this worthy community event. Our Sisterhood will be providing the soup for the event. If you have a great soup recipe that you would like to make, please contact Randy Kurjan at (843) 342-5568.

**Calling All Wrappers!** (No, not the singing kind!) It's time to get organized for CBY Sisterhood's Barnes and Noble gift wrapping fundraiser. During the weeks before the Christmas holiday, two-person teams of our sisters wrap gifts for shoppers at Barnes and Noble. There is no cost for the shoppers and Barnes and Noble donates the wrapping paper and other materials. Shifts usually last 2-3 hours and may be during the day and/or evening. Donations for this service are earmarked for various charities. Last year, the monies collected through donations went to Volunteers in Medicine and Treat the Troops. If you would like to participate in this by volunteering for a shift or two, please contact Randy Kurjan at (843) 342-5568 or Marcie Frisch at (843) 705-4460.

**Sisterhood Membership:**
Please help Sisterhood reach its goal of 100% participation this year. There is still time to send in your dues for the 2015-2016 campaign. Please go to [http://www.bethyam.org/](http://www.bethyam.org/), search Sisterhood to download the 2015 - 2016 Volunteer/Dues form.

**Mah Jongg**
Beverly Averack is forming a group for mah jongg lessons. If you are interested in joining, please call Beverly at (843) 682-3778.
Religious School ~ Robin Krumholz, Principal

Our Religious School year is off to a great start full of enthusiasm and joyful learning. When you walk into our School Hall, you can’t help but notice our awesome Rosh Hashanah project. Shaya Shatz, our Art Teacher made us a tree with the sweetest apples hanging from its branches! Each apple has the face and name of one of our students. With so many new faces (including my own), it has been a fantastic way for all of us, including Rabbi Bloom, to get to know each other.

This month we tried a new twist on the Boker Tov Services that preceded each of the High Holy Days. We extended these to one hour instead of just 30 minutes, enabling the Rabbi to teach our students in a schoolwide assembly. We also introduced media and new songs into the program. We will be doing the same for Simchat Torah, and other important holidays. Our Shabbat Soloist, Adriana Urato, is now an official member of our school faculty, and will be sharing her talents in the classrooms as well as in Boker Tov Services. Whenever she is here, Student Cantor Nancy Dubin will also engage our students in new song. The faculty and I are so happy to see so many parents enjoying our Boker Tov Services with their children.

Our Mitzvah Point program has also been a huge success in motivating our students to challenge themselves with tough questions, and incentivizing their attendance Shabbat and Holy Day Services. Our Family Services were very well attended. At the Rosh Hashanah Family Service the children wrote a New Year’s resolution, signed their name and placed in in our “Book of Life,” then enjoyed cake to celebrate the “Birthday of the World.” At Yom Kippur Family Service this Book of Life was “sealed” into a picture frame until next year. This tradition was begun by Judi Kleiman in 2010. Other events we look forward to:

SAVE THE DATES

- **Sunday Oct 4: Extended Boker Tov Service for Simchat Torah** – students will participate with Rabbi as he unrolls the entire Torah Scroll and then re-rolls it back to the beginning
- **Sunday Oct 11: NOAH DAY!** our first “Parent Brunch and Learn” 9:00 AM – Noon
  We are looking forward to gathering our parents together to schmooze with each other, and explore with Rabbi Bloom, what makes our childhood hero Noah different than most other bible heroes? What can this well known story told in all Judeo-Christian faiths, teach us about becoming wiser parents?
- **Friday Oct 16: FAMILY SHABBAT!** This will be the first in a series of once a month Family Shabbat Services, starring our Religious School students! This first one will be led by several of those students that attended camp, as a tribute to those congregants that raised funds to support scholarships for them to attend camp. The whole congregation is invited to join our religious school families in a Shabbat dinner preceding services. Services begin at 7:30 PM. More information on the CBY website.
- **Sunday Oct 18: Blessing of the Animals!** – Bring your pets at 11:30 AM, for the traditional special blessing by Rabbi, while our students serenade us with adorable animal songs! This year rabbi will also include a special memorial service for those who lost pets in the past year.
Men’s Club—Alan Krumholz, President

Our next meeting is Tuesday October 13th at 12:15 PM at CBY. There will be a board meeting starting at 10:30 AM as well. At our last meeting we heard an interesting presentation from the local arts council and discussed and voted on some changes to the bylaws which will have their approval vote at the October meeting.

The Men’s Club provided the ushering for the High Holy Days as usual and things went very well. Thanks to all of the men who volunteered to help. We also helped the Social Action Committee with helpers for the promise keepers.

Don’t forget the 9th annual Golf Tournament, again at Dolphin Head Golf Club on October 12th. We will have AM coffee and lunch for you. 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 (843) 342-5577.

Many events will be planned for the coming year. Please contact Stuart Blickstein or Nelson Adelman as co-chairs 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.

Golf Tournament News

9TH ANNUAL
CBY MEN’S CLUB
CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2015
DOLPHIN HEAD GOLF CLUB

- 9:00 AM Shotgun Start
- Cost: $115 per person including a buffet lunch
- Proceeds to benefit Deep Well, Volunteers in Medicine & other charities
- Mens and Ladies Flights
- Join us for fun and prizes, prizes, prizes!!!

Please send the names, handicap (or average score) and a check (made out to CBY Men’s Club) for $115 per golfer to Steve Burstein.

Click Here To Register

Sisterhood Membership Appreciation Luncheon

The CBY Sisterhood Membership Committee invites you to join us for homemade soup, salad and dessert.

Thursday, October 22, 2015 at 11:30 AM ~ Temple Social Hall

The Luncheon is complimentary to all Sisterhood members who have paid their 2015 – 2016 dues. We will be happy to accept your dues at the luncheon.

Guests of Sisterhood members may attend for a $10 fee.

Raffle will include a beautiful handmade afghan, and a 50/50 raffle.

The door prize will be a certificate for free Sisterhood dues for 2016-2017.

RSVP to Kathy Burnce by October 14 ~ (843) 757-0869

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

Social Justice is an important part of what the Social Action Committee espouses. To that end, a donation from the Tzedakah Fund from SAC and the Congregation has been made to the Jewish Disaster Fund to help support the Syrian immigrant crisis in Europe. The fund is a coalition of Jewish organizations including URJ. Hopefully, during the High Holy Days you received a form to send to the Reform Action Committee showing your support for the effort to pass a new voting rights bill. This is a URJ bipartisan effort for equality for racial and ethnic minorities at the voting polls.

Closer to home, come out and support Blessing of the Animals on October 18 at 11:30 AM. Our Religious School children will be participating as they learn about caring for all creatures on earth. Bring your cherished pet to receive a special blessing from Rabbi Bloom. You will have an opportunity to support the Hilton Head Humane Society and even adopt a pet. Pictures with your pet will be taken.

Lastly, on November 1, SAC and the Red Cross will be holding a blood drive at CBY from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Snacks will be served. At this time of year through the holidays there are blood shortages and you can help.

High Holy Day Food Drive

Thanks to the generosity of our congregants and the hard work of the Social Action Committee, with Aly Blumberg as Chair of this event, we were able to send 170 bags of food to Bluffton Self Help and The Deep Well Project to help feed those who need it most.
**Kroger Alert!!!!!!**

To those of you who have signed up for Kroger’s Community Rewards program, thank you. However, we have just been notified that you need to renew your participation. You can easily do so by dialing (866) 221-4141.

To those of you who have not yet signed up, this is a great opportunity to do so. CBY gets a check from Kroger each quarter based on the amount of money that members spend. We need greater participation, so please call the same number and sign up. The process couldn’t be any easier. When you make a purchase at Kroger using your Kroger Plus number, or your phone number as an alternate ID, CBY gets a rebate.

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**Our Volunteers – Ila Shapiro**

Ila is the Volunteer Coordinator for the Palmetto Service Center of the Red Cross and has been for the past seven years. Her mother, living in rural Virginia where Ila grew up, went through all the back roads and collected money for the Red Cross – pennies, nickels and more. She happened to be the only female driver available and Ila often went with her. That is the foundation of Ila’s devotion to the Red Cross today. Her parents, both Sunday school teachers, were always involved. Her mother was in charge of the missionary program and so Ila has always been a provider of good deeds.

As the Volunteer Coordinator, it is Ila’s responsibility to process new volunteers – background checks and interviews – to determine the best fit in the Disaster Action Center. New volunteers are also asked to participate in practice exercises to determine their skills. The center works with other Red Cross activities such as Health and Safety, Blood Services and Service to the Armed Forces. When there is a fire event, the Disaster Action Team interviews the victims and provides up to 3 days stay in a hotel, food and clothing where needed.

For anticipated oncoming disasters, 120 hours before a storm is predicted to hit, Ila’s team sets up shelters in schools, churches, and other facilities with pre-arranged authorization – they provide food and shelter. A Red Cross representative is in the Emergency Management Operations Center in each of Colleton, Jasper, Beaufort and Hampton Counties. The logistics team finds the shelter locations that must meet certain standards set by the Red Cross.

The center has 230 unpaid volunteers and Ila knows each one personally. Most of these volunteers are shelter workers – on call 24/7 – and have been part of the center for up to 15 years. They are constantly subjected to upgrades in training.

There are several divisions in each center – logistics, feeding, shelter and licensed mental health and nursing personnel. The center is fortunate to have many retired corporate executives and government personnel as volunteers.

Ila also has the responsibility of deploying needed personnel out of the area – she just did so for the California fires. Although all volunteers are unpaid, the Red Cross does pay the expenses for travel to disasters outside the area. The Red Cross Disaster Mental Health and Disaster Health Services teams are available for disaster victims. Some volunteers returning from deployment or from fire calls may need some counseling as well.

Volunteers understand the need to give back – everyone has experiences that can make a difference in someone else’s life by going outside one’s self and caring for other’s needs. If you do not do that you are “ripping yourself off” per Ila.

If you think you would like to join Ila and her team, please get in touch with her. She would be happy to explain further the responsibilities and rewards of volunteering with her at the service center. Thank you, Ila, for providing these much needed services. Once again we highlight the myriad organizations that our congregants represent and contribute so much to.
We’ve put the Fun in fundraising

CBY has planned three new & exciting events this year … planned and scheduled so that everyone can enjoy at least a couple of these events.

- **On Saturday, February 6** We are presenting our first “Texas Hold-em Poker Tournament” for CBY members only. This will be a “Vegas style” evening which will include casino style snacks and a “Flight” of variety of flavored martinis…all inclusive. For those who may not be familiar with Texas Hold-em, or want to improve their chances, we will have several tutorial classes prior to the event. The first “lesson” is scheduled on Wednesday, November 11 at 5:00 PM in the social hall. These sessions will be led by Gobby Cohen, our Gala M/C. Please reserve your tutorial inclusion by contacting Gobby at (843) 715-2876.

- **On Saturday, March 26** we have scheduled a unique Dine Around Theater party. We will start the evening with dinner at OKKO Asian Bistro then proceed to the Arts Center to be entertained by the “Peking Acrobats”. Tickets for the show are $42. The full menu will be available at OKKO at regular prices.

- **On Sunday, May 15**, we will be having another unique Dine-Around…A Dine-Around Dinner Cruise on the Tradewinds casino ship, out of Savannah. Boarding time is 12:30 PM. The cruise cost is $30 per person. This includes a full buffet meal as well as a carving board. Pizza & snacks are available all day along with a cash bar. Also included in the cost is a cocktail, a $10 marker for match play and free parking. A full range of table games as well as slots, starting at a penny, is available for our enjoyment. Even if you do not want to gamble, you can sit back and enjoy a pleasant afternoon cruise with food & drinks. More details will follow in December.

- **Our Dine-Around program** continues on October 1 at Santa Fe Café and on October 29 at Bucci’s (the former La Fontana). Please contact Diane Miller at (843) 836-1021 for reservations. Since seating is limited, please make your reservations as soon as possible so that you will not be left out. Our previous Dine-Arounds have been sold out & we had to turn people away.

- **92Y Live** begins on October 18th with an important presentation: The U. S.- Israel Relationship with Dennis Ross & Alan Dershowitz.

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Adult Education—Barbara Slagowitz, Chair

**Mark your calendars:** Our first lunch and learn book club is Wednesday, October 29. Mike and Sue Fritz will be leading us in a discussion of *Ally: My Journey Across the Israeli American Divide* by Michael Oren, former Ambassador to the U.S. from Israel. They request you read the book and come prepared with factual questions and comments. No anecdotes. A list of topics is available at the CBY Office. If a number of people who plan to attend can do a little “homework,” we can have a lively discussion of some important topics. We will meet at CBY at 12:30 PM. Bring your lunch - coffee and sweets will be provided.

Our second lunch and learn book club will be in February and the book is *Being Mortal* by Dr. Gawanda. Details to follow. This discussion will be facilitated by Felicia Pascal.

Anyone interested in becoming a Bar or Bat Mitzvah please contact Barbara Slagowitz at (843) 422-3684. The Adult Ed and Outreach Committees are co-sponsoring a program commemorating the 50th anniversary of Vatican II (see the article in this issue of the *Tidings* explaining the significance of this for the Jewish people). The program, titled *Journey to Friendship*, will be held on December 10 at 7:00 PM at Holy Family Church on Pope Avenue. The joint choirs will perform and Rabbi Shira Lander from the Anti-defamation League will give a talk, followed by a panel discussion including Rabbi Bloom and Monsignor Harley. A dessert reception will follow in their social hall.

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Thursday
October 1
6:00 PM-9:00 PM

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The US-Israel Relationship
Sunday, October 18, 7:30 PM
At Congregation Beth Yam Social Hall

Dennis Ross & Alan Dershowitz with Ethan Bronner

They’re from opposite sides of the aisle, but equally expert when it comes to setting the record straight on Israel. Dennis Ross, who has been a direct participant in shaping US policy towards Israel and the Middle East for nearly 30 years—first in the George H. W. Bush administration, then as Bill Clinton’s Middle East Peace envoy and then a special assistant to the president under Barack Obama. His new book is Doomed to Succeed. Alan Dershowitz has been a consultant to several presidential commissions and has advised presidents, US officials, prime ministers, governors, senators and members of Congress. His latest book is The Case Against the Iran Deal: How Can We Stop Iran From Getting Nukes? Ethan Bronner, senior editor for international news at Bloomberg, moderates.

Tickets can be purchased singly or by subscription
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Our 4th Dine-Around Venue for 2015-2016

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13 Harbourside Ln.
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50 Years After Nostra Aetate: Catholic, Jewish & Latino Relations in the Age of a Latino Pope
2015 marks the 50th anniversary since the groundbreaking Vatican II Council and Nostra Aetate forever transformed Catholic-Jewish relations. In the US today, the majority of Latino individuals identify as Catholic. Come learn from a distinguished panel on the current state of Catholic-Jewish relations, particularly during the age of Pope Francis, the first pope from Latin America.

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Abstract of Board Meeting ~ August 17, 2015 ~ Judy Bluestone, Recording Secretary

- Rabbi Bloom explained the meanings of the various greetings extended during the Jewish High Holy Day season and when to say them: L’Shanah Tovah Tikatevu (before Rosh Hashanah), L’Shanah Tovah Tikatevu v’Tikatevu (between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur), and G’mar Chatimah Tovah (before the Yom Kippur fast).
- Treasurer Bob Sable stated that our income and expenses are in line for this period. Members are paying dues at a reasonable rate.
- The annual Friends of Beth Yam campaign will begin after Rosh Hashanah with mailings to all congregants. The Board has endorsed the donor recognition program.
- The Board voted on the following new members: Addie and Carlton Wilson, Felicia Roth, Mitchell Hubelbank, Janice and Burt Krieger, Janice and Richard Ross, Jennifer and Andrew Tenenbaum and Tal Gur and Elie Nadger. All are resident members. Welcome new members!
- The High Holy Day planning is complete and we can expect guests at CBY for both Holy Days. 106 people have signed up for Break the Fast.
- The Fundraising Committee has announced two events so far: a Texas Hold ‘Em and martini party on February 6 and a pre summer cruise/Dine Around dinner from Savannah on the Tradewinds.
- The Religious School is off to a great start with 51 students. The Youth Group will meet in October and is planning social action activities to be announced. Rabbi Bloom is conducting monthly “brunch and learn” classes on Sunday for Religious School parents.
- Board members will be hosting weekly coffees for religious school parents on Sunday mornings.
- On December 10, CBY will be co hosting an event at Holy Family Church with speaker Shira Lander, an expert on Catholic Jewish Relations. CBY and Holy Family choirs will present a joint program all of which is open to the public.
- Jack Miller will head a task force to process the suggestions discussed at the August 17 BOD retreat.

Membership - Pennie Meiselman and Mike Weingarten

Please welcome our new members:
- Mary & Arnold Gellman
- Tal Gur and Elie Nadger
- Mitch Hubelbank
- Sandra & Richard Levin
- Kathleen Pennock
- Janice & Rich Ross
- Felicia Roth
- Jennifer & Andrew Tenenbaum
- Addie & Carlton Wilson

Resident: 247
Affiliate & Associate: 63
Total: 310

Be sure to say hi when you see them around the temple.

Stay Connected
Elegant Master Bathroom
Doorless Shower, Rain Head, New double Vanity

Beautiful tile, frameless glass & no door!

New vanity and espresso counter top!

My master bathroom needed major upgrading. This would be my first renovation. Jack came over, listened to me and came up with a plan for exactly what I wanted. His subcontractors were professional, timely and very pleasant to work with. One of the carpenters even brought Rosie a quarter-pounder! Now, I have a beautiful master bathroom. Thank you, Jack.”

Jaquay Schmid [and Rosie]
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