Meet Robin Krumholz—New Religious School Principal

Our new Religious and Hebrew School Principal, Robin Krumholz, joined our congregation less than one year ago, and comes to us with more than 30 years of experience contributing to the education and growth of both adults and children. Her passion has always been to help individuals aspire and achieve beyond what they believed possible. She prides herself in her knack for assisting others to discover their own potential, and pursue it with confidence. During her distinguished career in advanced technology, much of her spare time was invested in public schools helping children at both extremes of capability to succeed in math and science; so much so that when her own children went off to college, she went back to earn a teachers license in Mathematics K-12, solely to be permitted to continue volunteering and tutoring in public schools. She also enjoys coaching motivated students to choose, apply, and gain admission into highly selective universities, assisting them to develop a compelling application and professional interviewing skills.

Now retired, she began her career as a software engineer, and after receiving multiple awards for her contributions, turned her attention toward sharing her insights with peers, ultimately rising to become the Director of Professional Development at a Fortune 100 global company, responsible for the continuing education of over 4,000 employees, world-wide. Then, as Director of Continuing Medical Education at a consulting company she assisted hundreds of physician executives and healthcare professions, including our US Military, to embrace technology and data for advancing the efficiency and quality of healthcare delivery.

Besides volunteering in schools, she has also held many leadership roles in charitable organizations, including Foster Care Agencies, Hospital Auxiliaries, Synagogue Boards, Sisterhoods, and Judaica Shops. Sharing her Jewish heritage with those of all faiths is yet another of her passionate pursuits. She is thrilled with the opportunity to share her enthusiasm for learning, and her love of our Judaic heritage with our children and parents.
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Israel is calling Beth Yam to visit her. Yes, it is time again to get excited to sign up for our next Congregational trip to Israel scheduled for February in 2016. I am thrilled that our president Twyla and Bob Sable will be leading this trip with me. Rest assured we are going to have a great time and learn so much along the way. I hope you give serious consideration to joining us.

On June 18 at 7:00 PM Jeff Rubitchinsky, Vice President of Ayelet tours, will be flying to Hilton Head specifically to meet with us and make a presentation about the trip. I urge you to join us and see first hand what is in store for us. Ayelet tours organized our last mission in 2011 and I have confidence that they will do a great job again in providing us with excellent accommodations and a wonderful itinerary. We have been working together to plan out a trip that will be appropriate for both first time visitors and repeat travelers to Israel. We will see the sites and, equally important, we shall meet with the people of all stripes that make up this dynamic nation which we love and support in so many ways.

This past year has been a tough one for Israel and it seems there is always a drama or controversy going on in Israel which garners world attention. No doubt that Israel receives too much negative publicity in the media. So how can we do our part to tell Israel’s story and be the kinds of advocates Israel needs us to be in America? One way is to go there ourselves and see with our own eyes and speak with the people so we can enrich ourselves as well as share with our neighbors what we have experienced. We need to give encouragement to American Jews in our own community and to our friends and neighbors about the good and beautiful aspects of the culture which always seem to be overshadowed by politics and terrorism. We will see the history of Israel including its ancient sites which takes us back to the earliest beginnings of our people. We will experience the cultures and the diversity of a modern thriving society. The worlds of visual art, music and literature are all waiting for us as well as some of the most interesting restaurants we plan to visit. Strolling through the alleyways of Jerusalem’s Jewish, Christian and Arab quarters and a visit to the Western Wall bring us to the pinnacle of what sacred Jewish land means. Visiting Masada and other ancient sites alongside seeing the downtown of bustling Tel Aviv highlight how the old and new worlds of Jewish peoplehood live together.

On this trip there is a special day tour of Petra, one of the wonders of human civilization. We will travel by bus from Eilat into Jordan and then spend the day visiting this Nabatean city which was one of the jewels of architecture. There will be so much more to visit on this trip and these are some of the many highlights.

So I encourage you to take this leap of faith and make the commitment. I know that security is always on our minds. So all I can say is that I have complete faith in Israel to do its job in providing security for us.

Please give due consideration to this amazing trip and faith that we will provide you with an great experience which you will never forget. Israel needs our support and we need it too.

See you on the 18th of June at 7:00 PM.

Shalom,
Rabbi Brad Bloom

Rabbi Bloom's article was published in the CCAR Spring 2015 Journal of The Reform Jewish Quarterly

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Rio Report 2015 World Union of Progressive Judaism – Elaine Lust

Whether we are in a synagogue in Shanghai or a hotel in Rio we are part of a worldwide Jewish family. Although there is the work of WUPJ and other Jewish organizations, it is up to us to help build a strong global community by supporting ideas and sharing resources when we get an opportunity.

As we learn in Genesis 12:1-2, God reaches out to Abram and tells him to leave his home, his family home which is familiar, and move on in order to make a great nation. Jews are nomadic – they move from place to place – but they always leave their mark. God said to Abram “Go to a land I will show you.” Abram did not know where it was but he followed God’s instructions and here we are – a great people – a great global nation. Shall we hold on to a model that says people should come to us or, as Abram, go out and look for new members, new ways to attract people and teach them how to connect with Judaism, new ways to pray, new ways to worship? The story of a grandfather who was in the hospital and too sick to attend his grandson’s Bar Mitzvah – the entire event was broadcast by SKYPE - bears out this message.

Learning is the most important facet of the future of Judaism – history, Torah rites, egalitarianism (the women rabbis who had the courage to blaze trails,) and LGBT acceptance will cement our future. In the Babylon Talmud it states “these and these are the words of the living God.” Both sides, or ideas, are valuable. We must make choices – what are the ideas or the people? what do they mean to the world? Be humble, respectful and understand their point of view and then give your opinion. Take your position out to the world, teach each other how to live and work together. We need to inspire people, leaders must reach out to others and create new leaders.

In summation, for Judaism to survive and remain a valuable and relevant partner in the world, we must open our hearts and minds and allow “newness” to sustain the past and inspire the future.
President’s Message

It is hard to believe that one year has gone by since I became President of Beth Yam. Helping to lead this wonderful Congregation forward has also helped me grow as a person. There are many notable things that have happened in the past year. We have a Student Cantor, Nancy Dubin from the Hebrew Union College who adds another dimension to our services as well as our Cantorial Soloist, Adriana Urato. Our Music program and school have also evolved in positive ways.

Our energetic and dynamic School Principal, Judi Kleiman has retired but left us with an enthusiastic student body and parents in place for our new principal, Robin Krumholz.

Although we are a diverse Jewish community from many parts of the country and from many backgrounds, we learn and grow from each other. We are a family and, like a family, we sometimes disagree, but we work through our issues and move forward.

We have had an exceptional membership growth this year adding over twenty new members and we are proud to say we are now over three hundred families with a viable Religious School. This year we have awarded camp scholarships to nine children. These children will attend URJ Jewish Summer Camps that will help enrich their lives as young Jews. We look forward to exciting and interesting programs and Shabbat participation of these young people as well as all of the other Religious School children. All of the more than forty children in our Religious School will assist in a Shabbat service.

Please join us for the Annual Meeting and Election of Officers on Wednesday, June 10 at 7:00 PM and hear about what has happened at CBY during this past year. Remember to send in your ballots for the amendments to the Bylaws and the election of officers.

In February 2016, CBY will sponsor a trip to Israel led by Rabbi Bloom, with an in-depth tour including meeting with top leaders from the Reform movement like Anat Hoffman of the Israel Religious Action Center and Women of the Wall and Rabbi Uri Regev of Hiddush. We will be part of a Jewish-Arab peace dialogue at the Akko Theatre Center and enjoy a special culinary tasting tour led by David Leichman, a leading cook in Ramle, a mixed Jewish/Arab city. We will experience the Kabbalah of glassblowing in the city of Safed. We will enhance our understanding of the Israeli political landscape with the Jerusalem Post’s chief political correspondent Gil Hoffman, dig into history at the Temple Mount excavation with Emek Tzurim and participate in other exciting experiences only available in the State of Israel. PLEASE join us for a visit from Jeff Rubtchinsky, VP of Ayelet Tours on Thursday, June 18 at 7:00 PM at the temple for wine and cheese to learn first-hand about the trip that is planned.

Without the complete support of our Board of Directors and committee people my job would have been much more difficult if not impossible. Everyone came forward and stepped up to help with anything that needed to be done.

Rabbi Bloom has been a wonderful mentor and support, both as my religious leader and as my friend. Our weekly meetings have created a bond between us.

We are already looking forward to Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur and the introduction of the new High Holy Day prayer books, Mishkan Ha’Nefesh. These new machzors will add a new and more modern dimension to our High Holy Day services.

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 and Bluffton, as well as for our affiliate members from near and far.

Shalom,

Twyla

New Administration Chair Announced

I am pleased to announce that beginning June 1, Diane Miller will be the new chairperson of the office. Please contact Diane with any questions regarding office administration. We are sorry to see our talented and organizational person, Susan Sneider, who has done an outstanding job the past three years, leave us. We wish Susan well and know she will still be available at CBY for other things.

Twyla

Introducing our new bookkeeper

My name is Dianne Lindquist. I was born in Greenville, South Carolina and I have one sister. My parents are deceased. I am married to Bruce Lindquist who was born in Jamestown, New York, and we have been married for 32 years. We have one daughter Ashley who lives in Charleston, South Carolina and works for the March of Dimes. Bruce and I reside in Rincon, Georgia (20 minutes from Savannah) and both enjoy playing golf. Another of my favorite things to do is go to Bradley Beach here on Hilton Head and relax in the sun. I am enjoying my position as bookkeeper at Beth Yam.
Have you seen our Hallway TV displaying recent and upcoming events?

Join Rabbi Brad Bloom & Congregation Beth Yam on an in-depth tour to

ISRAEL from a Reform Perspective
February 13 - 23, 2016

• Exploring the Mediterranean city of Tel Aviv including Independence Hall & the Palmach Museum
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More information at www.bethyam.org

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CBY’s Annual Congregational Meeting

Wednesday, June 10
7:00 PM

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Eilat/Petra Extension February 23 - 26, 2016
- Round-trip Flights between Ben Gurion Airport and Eilat
- Day tour to Petra (not including border tax/visa fees)
- 1 Night at the David Citadel, Jerusalem with Breakfast
- 2 Nights at the Dan Hotel, Eilat with Breakfast daily
- Airport transfers

Meet Jeff Rubchinsky, VP of Ayelet Tours at CBY for a wine and cheese presentation on the 2016 Israel Trip
June 18
7:00 PM
On this in-depth adventure, we will...

- Reach out, with Jewish-Arab peace dialogues, including a visit to the jointly run Akko Theatre Center, and a special culinary tasting tour of Ramle, a mixed Jewish/Arab city with David Leichman
- Experience the Kabbalah of Glassblowing at Sheva Chaya in the mystical city of Safed
- Enjoy creative and delicious dining experiences, including home hospitality lunch at Moshav Nahal, the first Moshav established in Israel
- Enhance your understanding of Israel’s political landscape by meeting with the Jerusalem Post’s chief political correspondent, Gil Hoffman
- Dig into history at the Temple Mount excavation, Emek Tzurim
- Explore the Old City’s Arab Quarter with Rabbi Brad Bloom

Full itinerary & online registration:

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**Golf Tournament News**

The Men’s Club of Congregation Beth Yam will sponsor its ninth annual **CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT** on Monday, October 12, 2015. As in the past, Deep Well, VIM and Bluffton Self Help will be among the primary beneficiaries of this event. Last year, we were able to donate over $11,000 to selected local charities, and we hope to do even better this year. As we pass $50,000 in total donations, we hope to significantly increase the pace of our giving.

The tournament will return to Dolphin Head this year. Everyone had high praise for the course and management last year, and their generous pricing helps us maximize the proceeds and donations. But remember, there is a limit to how many players a course can comfortably accommodate, so, **if you want to play in this great event, you MUST register early.** Click here for the registration form or you can download it from the CBY website.

Player slots will be reserved for Men’s Club and other Congregation Beth Yam members, and their playing partners, **only until June 30, 2015.** After that, the tournament is open to all applicants on a first come basis, with no preference based on membership. Either way, the price is $115.00 per person and includes golf, cart rental, buffet lunch, winner’s prizes, door prizes, a goody bag and more.

While I’m selling – we also raise donations by selling HOLE SPONSORSHIP, at $150. This entitles the sponsor to a sign on the tee or green of a designated hole, recognition in much of our publicity, including newspaper ads, press releases, etc. A player discount is also offered for playing sponsors.

We’d also love to welcome a Major Tournament Sponsor – “The Congregation Beth Yam Charity Golf Tournament sponsored by YOUR NAME HERE.” Looks good, huh. Contact Nelson Adelman at or Marty Katz if you know a potential major sponsor. We’ll negotiate terms. Sign up now for this GREAT event.

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**WUPJ RIO DE JANEIRO MAY, 2015 ~ Elaine Lust**

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Dear Friends,

I would like to express my thanks to the members of Sisterhood for a meaningful and productive year. I am honored to be entrusted with guiding our Sisterhood, a vital component of Congregation Beth Yam. Everything we accomplish is due to your support. More than 50% of CBY women are members of Sisterhood. Women of Reform Judaism reminds us that WE ARE STRONGER TOGETHER and it is our goal that every woman in our congregation joins Sisterhood and that she feels valued and appreciated for her unique talents and perspective. In a few weeks you will be receiving your 2015 – 2016 membership renewal form. I know we can count on your support.

Our strength comes from dedicated leadership. Past Presidents, Judie Aronson (Book Club Chair), Sheri Farbstein (Programming Chair), Helen Hauer (Historian), Elaine Lust (Treasurer) and my mentor, Immediate Past President, Janet Weingarten, enrich us with their experience and guide us into the future.

My thanks to our talented Board: Sue Gostanian – Executive V.P., Beverly Averack – Corresponding Secretary, Sharon Bass – Recording Secretary, Kathy Burnce – Membership V.P., Diane Miller – Fundraising V.P., Randy Kurjan – V.P. Community/Cultural Services, Nadyne Ulicny – V.P. Congregational Services, Barbara Freeman – Sisterhood & You Editor, Paula Rudman – Parliamentarian and By Laws Chair, Judy Gimbel – Bereavement Chair, Ellen Lash – Judaica Shop Volunteer Coordinator, Felicia Pascal and Linda Stern – Library Co-Chairs.

Women of Reform Judaism, formerly known as The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, is 102 years strong. As we enter our second century, let us work together to continue Sisterhood’s important work locally, nationally and in Israel.

Our Sisterhood provides camp and leadership conference scholarships and library and media funds for our religious school children. Through our YES (Youth and Educational Services), we fund student rabbis at Hebrew Union College.

The less fortunate in our community are served by Sisterhood. We support local soup kitchens, Backpack Buddies, Volunteers in Medicine and Treat The Troops.

Sisterhood encourages the continuing education and enrichment of our members. Come to a Lilith Salon or Book Club luncheon.

The CBY community and people of all faiths come together each year to share in our Women’s and Community Seders. We lend a hand in times of bereavement and share in the simcha of a Bat and Bar Mitzvah.

Please come and join us. We ARE stronger together.

Yours In Sisterhood,

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

Congratulations to the Social Action Committee for another successful CBY Mitzvah Day. From our youngest CBY members in the Religious School, to our Youth Group, to our Care Committee singers and Sisterhood bakers, as well as individual congregants, Congregation Beth Yam made a difference in our community.

The committee won’t be meeting in June but planning will be going on for our many activities beginning in September. We wish Judie a speedy recovery and everyone a great summer.

A heartfelt thank you for the love the Mitzvah Day Bakers put into the 630 cookies they baked for Treat the Troops and Backpack Buddies. The women who baked are: Sharon Bass, Diane Miller, Randy Kurjan, Elaine Lust, Cathy Kite, Barbara Slagowitz, Robin Krumholz, Lauren Donnellan, and Nadyne Ulicny.

Sisterhood Mitzvah Day Bakers

Robin Krumholz, Judie Aronson, Judi Kleiman, Jaquey Schnid, Sandy Leff, Barbara Frogel
Book review—Submitted by Linda Stern

A good friend loaned me the 1994 book, *Original Sin* by P.D. James and I saved it for my recent Caribbean holiday. My friend pointed out that James used Jewish characters in writing this unusual mystery. Scotland Yard Commander Adam Dagleish has been called in to investigate the events at Peverell Press, an independent publishing house in London. The apparent suicide of one editor, followed by the murder of a second editor comes on the heels of pranks at the publishing house involving poison pen letters, disappearing rare illustrations and tampered proofs. As always P.D. James manages to invoke interest in the lives of her detective and his team as well as provide a well developed mystery. Take the time and enjoy.

Library Committee ~ Linda Stern and Felicia Pascal

The Dine Around program, chaired by Diane Miller, concluded its spring program at Napoli’s Restaurant in Bluffton. The program netted nearly $2,500 this year. We have already started planning the selections of restaurants for the autumn. Any suggestions should be sent directly to Diane at (843) 836-1021. We look forward to a delicious autumn and winter with fellow congregants.

The month of June is our most important time for gathering ads for the CBY Ad Directory. Many Gold page ads have already been received due to the work of our committee members and some volunteers. This project is typically our second largest fund raiser at CBY. We need the assistance of as many congregants as possible to reach our target this year. Please contact Alan Meiselman at (843) 681-5951 for more information, or to volunteer.

We had 58 volunteers at the Gala who made it the success that it was. A similar number will push the Ad Directory over the top. Thanks for your support.

CBY Religious School Students Visit The Cypress ~ Christy Cohen

On Friday, May 15, ten children from CBY visited The Cypress and led the residents in a Shabbat service at the Clubhouse. These students received generous scholarships to Jewish overnight camps this summer from the Temple, Sisterhood and Men’s Club. In appreciation for the scholarships, the children prepared a modified Shabbat service for residents of The Cypress.

Several of the residents in attendance were CBY congregants, but even many non-Jews were interested in taking part. Everyone LOVED our adorable children! They led a modified service that included three songs and many prayers. They passed out challah, grape juice and cookies and shared a special moment with the residents.

The Cypress residents were absolutely thrilled with this camper-led service and they hope they will come back again soon. A plan for a visit around Chanukah is already in the works!
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Please welcome our newest Resident Members - Jennifer and Andrew Tenenbaum and Jeni Bilek.

Please consider becoming an ambassador this year to help our new members become acclimated into our CBY family.

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**Religious School ~ Judi Kleiman**

Hillel used to say: If I am not for myself who will be for me? Yet, if I am for myself only, what am I?

And if not now, when?

As many of you have noticed, this quote is at the bottom of my emails. I think now is the time to explain why Hillel’s words are so important to me.

While living in Florida, I attended a weekly Pirkei Avot class led by Rabbi Leonid Feldman. It was in this class that Hillel’s words became crystal clear to me. As a teacher, mother, friend and wife, the realization occurred when I read these words in a solitary moment. My mother taught me that I should always consider others but not forget myself. Could this have been her interpretation of these words? Perhaps, but unfortunately when I studied this quote, she was no longer living and I was left to work through it myself. After contemplating these prophetic questions, I understood that the answer lie in the exercise of considering them.

Teaching in our Religious School was not part of my dream. Little did I know that sharing my Jewish background could change lives - including my own.

Being the Principal of the CBY Religious School has been an honor and a blessing for me…Judically, spiritually, socially and most of all sharing in the lives of our ever growing parent and student population whom I have grown to love and cherish as my own. Of course I will miss the day-to-day interaction with them, but I’m not going anywhere and expect to continue sharing our lives together.

Being a partner with Rabbi Bloom on this journey has also been both satisfying and challenging. He has challenged me professionally to be a role model for our school families while encouraging me to study, learn, listen and be involved in community. I will be forever grateful for his guidance and understanding.

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**Care Committee ~ Susan Britanisky & Sandy Leff**

Our voices rose in song together, as the Care Committee hosted a Mitzvah Day Sing-Along for the residents at the Bloom at the Hilton Head facility on Sunday, May 3! With Bob Diamond’s lively piano accompaniment, the volunteers included Barbara Schuman, Jaquay Schmid, Judy Gimbel, Lindy Lindenbaum, Eve and Joe Sanker, Nancy and Joel Lerner, and Sandy and Pete Leff. The singing of old favorites, such as “You Made me Love You” and “The Best Things in Life Are Free” brought forth many smiles and happy memories for the appreciative seniors!

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**Membership ~ Pennie Meiselman and Mike Weingarten**

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**Membership update:**
- We have a total of 310 Families:
  - 243 Resident Families
  - 67 Affiliates & Associates
### Ritual Committee ~ David Kurjan

Sivan 15 (June 2): This is the traditional date of both the birth and the death of Judah (1564-1445 BCE), who was the fourth son of Jacob and Leah. Judah means "to admit" -- as in to admit a mistake, or to acknowledge in gratitude -- and is the source of the English word, Jew. When Joseph was thrown into the pit, it was Judah who saved Joseph's life by suggesting his sale to a passing caravan. As atonement for not rescuing Joseph completely, Judah later offered his own life in place of Benjamin. At the end of Jacob's life, Judah was given the blessing of kingship, and King David and King Solomon descend from the tribe of Judah.

The Ritual Committee is planning to participate in Shabbat services in the six weeks preceding Rosh Hashanah by reading passages from Mishkan HaNefesh. It is hoped this will help ease the transition to the new prayer book. Every effort will be made to use the new machzor for all of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. As of the end of April, 138 books have been purchased, approximately 60 for personal use and the rest donated to CBY. If you would like to order your own copy, click here. They are expected the end of June.

Reminder to committee chairs and auxiliary organizations who may want to schedule a special Shabbat service in 2015-2016: Requests for a specific date must go through the Ritual Committee; so please make your request as early on as you possibly can. We will consider your request at the following committee meeting. Also, requests to change a service start time must also be approved by the Ritual Committee.

### Men's Club—Stuart Blickstein, President

Lots going on at the Men’s Club.

- Congratulations to Alan Krumholz, who will be stepping in on July 1, to complete the current Presidential term. Good luck Alan, we know you’ll do a great job.
- We are in the process of updating our by-laws and preparing the 2015-2016 budget. The Board is working very hard and this is all moving apace. It should be completed soon. Budget and dues decisions have many policy implications so I am taking the liberty of inviting any Men’s Club members to observe our next Board meeting on July 9, at 10:30 AM, before the regular membership meeting.
- In the meantime, our monthly programs and various social events continue. Programming continues to reflect the primarily collegial nature of the club. Our next meeting will be on June 9, at 12:15 PM, at Congregation Beth Yam. As usual, a short business meeting will be followed by a presentation TBA.
- Phew, we got through another Kidz and Klutzes event. Great fun and no reported breaks, pulls, hamstrings, etc. Dare we try again next year.
- We have instituted a new simplified pricing policy for lunch. The Gruby’s sandwich PLUS lunch will be $15.00, with any excess over cost being reserved for future use. Of course less costly lunches will be priced accordingly. This should be easier than the monthly variation and change making. (This change is not about fund raising, it is about ease of administration).

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