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- **Parashat Vayetzei**: November 22 1 PM Membership Committee
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**November 2018**

**Cheshvan 5779**

**Student Cantor Olivia Brodsky**

November 16-18  
December 7-9  
January 18-20  
February 22-24  
March 22-24  
April 19-21

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**2** Candle Lighting 6:25 PM  
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5 PM Judaica Shop Open  
6 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service with Shabbat choir & Torah Discussion (Special prayers for veterans)

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**Meet Lindsey Keslar — New Youth Group Director**

Lindsey Keslar graduated with honors in May 2016 from Columbia College in Chicago with a Bachelor's degree in Fashion design. She grew up in Jupiter, Florida, and went to summer camp in the Poconos at URJ Camp Harlam and URJ Camp Kutz in Warwick, New York. She currently works at Evelyn and Arthur in Villages of Wexford.

“I am very excited to take on the role as youth director. I plan on helping the youth in our community grow into great Jewish leaders and feel a real sense of a Jewish community in a place where there are very few Jews. Growing up with a strong Jewish background, I hope to help the youth experience as much of the same amazing experiences as I did in youth group and NFTY and build a sense of what it is to be Jewish in our world today. Community service and Tikkun Olam are very important to me. I hope to bring as much social action into our community with the youth and show them the importance of mitzvot and repairing the world.”

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**Helping the Most Vulnerable in Our Community**

**Tuesday, November 13, 7:00 - 9:00 PM**

Educational Seminar presented by: Hopeful Horizons & Lowcountry Legal Volunteers

Event is open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

Co-sponsored by the CBY Sisterhood and the CBY Social Action Committee

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**Blood Drive**

**Congregation Beth Yam**

Sunday, December 2, 2018
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Bloodmobile will be located in CBY parking lot
Details & registrations www.bethyam.org

Sponsored by CBY Social Action Committee
I shall remember for the rest of my life this past weekend when we received the unfathomable news of the murders at Tree of Life Congregation in Pittsburgh—the largest act of terror and violence against Jews in American History. I was so proud of our congregation for the turnout we had with almost 500 people in attendance on Sunday, October 28. The outpouring of support from the rest of Hilton Head and Bluffton made a significant impact upon us all. We stood shoulder to shoulder to mourn for the deceased, pray for the recovery of the wounded, and consider what the future of America Jewry will be.

Then on Tuesday, October 30, the Lowcountry Coalition Against Hate sponsored a mayoral forum on the theme of civil engagement in our community’s political leadership. We had a panel of five high school seniors talk about their perspectives of the role of the mayor in setting an example for the community as a person who encourages unity and understand and accepts the diversity of peoples and faiths who live on Hilton Head. Then the Coalition sponsored the mayoral forum with our moderators who asked important questions to the candidates about how they see themselves as role models for a stronger and more inclusive community. My impression was that most of the candidates reflected positive values and respect for the many peoples who live here. I also believe that whoever wins this election for mayor will have to learn more about leadership beyond the normal kinds of policy issues. All elected officials must see their responsibility to set the positive tone and lead by example. The Coalition has a lot of work to do with community partners and, again, I am proud that our members are leading the way towards establishing a presence for a watchdog group to educate the community to reduce hate speech in all its many forms.

Finally, on November 11, at 1 PM we will present a music program with poignant readings observing the 80th anniversary of Kristallnacht. We need you there and I personally hope you will join us. Your presence and participation is critical because if we as Jews do not remember and bear witness to these crimes, then we risk a repeat of them here in America or anywhere else in the world. It is our place to witness injustice in the world. Sometimes people say that it is too much negative between murder rampages, anti-semites running for mayor, and remembering painful events in the past. The alternative is to ignore and bypass the memory of our history. I can’t live with that even if it is painful. It is our mitzvah and our responsibility. In the end I find myself feeling renewed knowing that I did not forget them and that all of us stood up for justice and fairness for us and for our youth. Shouldn’t we, too, set the example for the young that caring about our past and protecting our future is part and parcel of our mission of being Jewish in America?

Thank you and Shalom,

Rabbi Brad L. Bloom M.S.W., DD

Faith in Action....

Please take a minute to look at my recent column in the Island Packet. I urge you to keep my “Faith in Action” column alive by clicking here and sharing it with friends and family.

I always welcome your thoughts and comments.

http://www.islandpacket.com/living/religion/faith-in-action/

Beach Brunch

First place:
David’s Desperados

Runner up:
Beach Bagels

Congratulations to all who participated in a wonderful event
Message from the President—Judy Bluestone

When I was a small child, my Grandma Molly would often take me to her orthodox congregation, a bus ride and a ten minute walk from where we lived. An observant woman, she would wrap our bus fare in a linen handkerchief, and off we would go! Her Rumanian shul which welcomed her years before when she was “a stranger in a strange land”, was so dear to her that she would violate the rules of Shabbat to participate in worship there. That was where she belonged. So, too, my husband Stan’s mother, widowed at 36 and struggling to maintain her two young sons, always belonged to her Conservative synagogue. Belonging…that means to have a proper, appropriate, and suitable place. For us living south of the Broad, Congregation Beth Yam, is the place for Jewish belonging.

In Shakespeare’s “As You Like It”, the character Jaques, comparing the world to a stage and life to a play, delineates seven stages: infancy, school years, courtship years, soldier, justice, Pantelone (career success/status), and old age. Participation as members in a synagogue mirrors these stages. In other words, why and what are our motivations for belonging?

For many of us it was and is important that our babies be given their Hebrew names in a synagogue. The presence of a Rabbi at a brit milah or the reform ceremony of a brit bat for girls recognizes his/her individual connection to the Jewish people, and as Rabbi Laura Geller puts it, the “infant is transformed, named, given tribe and history, roots and purpose, baggage, and wings.” In other words, a belonging right from the start.

Second stage - school years-. We enroll our children in religious school for the same purpose, although now the responsibility shifts to young students to learn what it means to be a Jew… our history, our language, our customs, and connections as they work toward b’nai mitzvah so that they can move into the next stage of life as connected and educated Jews in a non-Jewish world.

Third stage, when we wed, in-married or inter-faith, it seems that a rabbi usually serves as officiant or participant in some capacity. This link to our past or tradition, whether for ourselves or for our parents, is present. In the fourth stage, as we navigate our career paths, some of us find that the mitzvah of supporting a congregation is a joy, while others many find it onerous; but we do so and for many of us the vibrancy of belonging suffuses our professional life with Jewish ethics and profound joy. The CBY Friends Campaign, launching this month, gives us a chance to perform this mitzvah. Each of us has the capacity to participate at some level. Let’s aim for 100%!!!

Finally, we reach the final stage of our lives when the time for belonging is perhaps the most essential. Whether we are “aging in place” in our homes or residing in a vibrant senior residence, the warm presence of a rabbi fills the empty places in our lives with the humor and understanding needed to reflect on a good life well lived. We are so fortunate that our founders had the foresight, courage, and determination to create this sacred space and center of Jewish life south of the Broad. Many of us would not be here but for them.

So, on this new year 5779 let us resolve to deepen our connection to CBY by attending more Shabbat and holiday services and celebrations, taking advantage of the myriad opportunities for spiritual and intellectual growth available to you, participating in the delightful socializing opportunities like Dine Together, the Sisterhood and Men’s Club events, supporting the Social Action initiatives where tikun olam is practiced daily, becoming a CBY Friend, and committing yourself to the joy of belonging to your family in the main place on Meeting Street … Congregation Beth Yam.

Back to Shul night on November 4 provides each of us with an excellent opportunity to become acquainted with CBY leadership and the vibrant committees which move the wheels of the congregation. If committee membership is not your thing, join us anyway and become an informed supporter of CBY. I look forward to seeing you then.

Judy

March of the Living

Over the past two years, eight CBY high school students have had the unique opportunity to participate in the International March of the Living. This important program is a ten-day trip for students, first traveling to Poland and marching with 15,000 international high school students from Auschwitz to Birkenau on Yom HaShoah in commemoration the Holocaust. Moving on to Israel they tour and participate in Yom Ha’Atzmaut celebrating the founding of the State of Israel. Our students have come back using terms as “life changing” and “transformative” to describe their experience and have reinforced their commitment to Judaism. These special students are recipients of awards from the CBY MOTL Scholarship Fund and have fulfilled stringent requirements as outlined by the Scholarship Committee. This program is possible through the combined support of the student’s family as well as the generosity of many CBY private donors.

The committee would like to thank Rabbi Bloom who

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Happy November! Finally, a little crispness to the morning air, like biting into a perfect apple! November is that month where we reflect on gratitude. The Jewish word for gratitude is ‘hikarat hatov’, which means ‘recognizing the good’. In a commentary in an Aish newsletter, Dr. Alan Morinis writes of Leah, the wife of the patriarch Jacob: “When she had her fourth child, she named him Yehudah, which means ‘I am grateful’, reflecting her gratitude to God for the gift of another son. The name Yehudah is the source of the Hebrew name of the Jewish people (Yehudim), revealing the very direct tie between Judaism and gratitude.”

Judaism teaches us to dwell on the wonderful aspects of what we have rather than on what we don’t. Think of a glass half full, rather than half empty.

The Hasidic teacher Rebbe Nachman of Breslin writes, “Gratitude rejoices with her sister joy and is always ready to light a candle and have a party. Gratitude doesn’t much like the old cronies of boredom, despair and taking life for granted.”

Women throughout time have been pros at making something out of nothing! Women continually appreciate what they have and strive to turn a scrap of cloth into a garment; an old potato, carrot and bone into soup; and to reinvent themselves into doctors, lawyers, scientists, homemakers, mothers, educators, artists, etc. Always, we show our gratitude to God by using what we have to make things better and applying our potential to it’s fullest.

I am thankful for all the strong women who work to support our congregation. Finally, Sisterhood is proud and grateful to its members, for making the final payment to the kitchen fund!

And now, our November Jewish Woman of Valor is my mother, Sally Moskowitz. My mother, whom I share with my sister, Janet, always told us to be happy with what we have, be grateful it wasn’t less, do our best, and work hard to make the world a better place. No wallowing allowed in our house! No matter what life brings, suck it up, be grateful, and improve it!

**SAVE THE DATE**

**THE BOOK CLUB:** Our next meeting will be on Thursday, December 13th. Watch for details!

**SISTERHOOD MEMBER LUNCHEON** will be held on Wednesday, November 14, at 11:30 am, at CBY. The guest speaker will be Laura Lee Rose from the Clemson Extension Program. Her focus will be on outdoor landscaping and plants best suited to thrive in our zone. For those of us who are just learning to name the flora and fauna of the Lowcountry, this should be an informative and interesting talk. Please call Sharon Leff at 843-785-9875 or Sharyn Brager at 843-815-9511, or email us to make a reservation for the luncheon.

**SPOTLIGHT ON: RACHEL PEPIN**

(The roving reporter shared pancakes and lots of hot coffee at Stacks with Rachel. She generously gave her time and thoughtfully responded to questions.)

**Question:** What is the best parenting advice you have been given?

Rachel: “Choose your battles!”

**Question:** Is there an example?

R: To paraphrase, she explained, her oldest (age nine) needs an understanding, gentle touch. She got a call from his teacher on the first day of school. The teacher announced that she had given a lesson that needed to be done in pencil. The boy, willing to do the work, needed to write in blue crayon. Teacher was frustrated, having tried to stop the blue crayon writing several times. (Apparently, this was not done! He was “bossing” his teacher.)

Mom patiently explained: “Think of it this way. If you were wandering in the desert, what would you need most?” The teacher thought “water”.

Rachel: “OK, so starting school, for my son, it is like being in a desert. The blue crayon is water for him. If he has that relief, he can move ahead and do work. He is not trying to ‘boss’ you; he is just trying to show you what he needs to be comfortable.”

Rachel, somehow willing to help the teacher further, told her that every day, her son needs to wear the same tee shirt. Mom or Dad wash it each night so it can be clean for him the next day. Comfort. Relief. Water. “He needs the same shirt every day. Then he can go to school and learn.”

**Question:** In today’s socio-political climate, what do you worry about most for the children?

R: “I believe that children are inherently kind and see good in people. Everyone can be a friend.” The problem is that we have some “small-minded parents who project unkind ideas and views”.

**Woman’s Empowerment Luncheon**

The Sisterhood will host its annual Women’s Empowerment Luncheon on December 4th at 11:30 am. Celebrate the achievements of the women of our community and hear from keynote speaker, Dr. Maryam Aftab. Please make a reservation by calling the office at 843-961-9150 or email us at cby@cbysc.com.

**In honor of the marriage of Julia and Randy Kurjan, President**

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**SISTERHOOD MEMBER LUNCHEON**

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In the Torah portion Chayei Sarah (The Life of Sarah), Sarah dies at the age of 127 in Hebron in the land of Canaan and is buried in the cave of Machpelah. Feeling old, Abraham decides to find a wife for his son Isaac and sends his eldest servant to his homeland to find a wife for Isaac “from among my kindred”. Abraham indicates that God will send a divine messenger to help the servant identify the woman who is meant to be Isaac's bride. Consequently, when the servant arrives in Aram-naharaim, he prays to the God of Abraham for help and requests a sign: if the girl whom he asks for water is the one designated by God, she should answer by offering water not only to him, but also to his camels.

As soon as the servant sees the beautiful young Rebecca filling her pitcher from the well, he approaches and asks for water. She immediately lowers her pitcher so that he can drink from it, and runs to draw more water for the camels. It may have been her beauty and youth that first drew the servant to Rebecca, but it is her kindness and generosity, reflected in the words she speaks and in the eagerness with which she gets the water that convince him that she is indeed the one chosen for Isaac by God. This conviction is reinforced by Rebecca’s great sense of hospitality, which he discovers after asking if there is somewhere in her father's house where he, the men accompanying him, and the camels might stay. She answers that there is plenty of straw and food for the camels and room for him and his men to spend the night. Rebecca then runs home to tell her family about the visitor whom God has sent to them. Her generosity and kindness to animals are apparently more important to the servant than kinship, since he gives Rebecca the expensive gifts he brought with him even before discovering that her paternal grandfather, Nahor, is Abraham's brother.

Willing to go to Canaan with the servant, they depart, and when Isaac and Rebecca see each other, it is love at first sight. He takes her into his tent (actually, the “tent of his mother Sarah”), marries her, and loves her. Once Isaac brings Rebecca into Sarah's tent, she formally becomes Sarah's successor as matriarch and through his love for her, Isaac finds comfort. Rebecca doesn't literally replace Sarah, but Isaac could fully turn to his own life and thoughts only after Sarah died, finding in his relationship with Rebecca a way of "remembering Sarah". Isaac needed to be comforted not just because of his mother's death, but also for the absence of the light that she brought to him, through her piety, kindness, love, life-affirming energy, and physical presence. It is a light that Rebecca rekindles.

There are two other interesting occurrences in this portion. Abraham marries again (to Keturah) and has six more sons (thanks to the little blue pills?), but all that he has, he gives to Isaac. To the new wife's children, he gives gifts and sends them away.

Later, Abraham dies at the age of 175. His sons Isaac and Ishmael bury him in the cave of Machpelah where his wife Sarah was buried. This is the only time these two half-brothers ever appear together in the Torah. Certainly, they both had reason to be absent. This is the same Abraham who cast Ishmael out and abandoned him to the wilderness. This is the same Abraham who tried to slaughter Isaac only to be stopped at the last moment by an angel of God. Both sons could have found a convenient excuse to stay away, to let someone else bury their dad. And remember, the Torah is clear when it reminds us that "Abraham gave all that he owned to Isaac". Which is to say, Ishmael got nothing. And yet he was present at his father's burial. Next to Isaac, the one who got everything.
80 Years After Kristallnacht: The Night of Broken Glass

Sunday, November 11, 1:00 PM
Congregation Beth Yam
Readings and Music
featuring The Mary Green Chorale under the direction of
Maestra Mary Woodmansee Green
performing works of
Leonard Bernstein & Vaughan Williams
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Social Action Committee – Janet Weingarten, Chair

November is an important “TO-DO MONTH” for all of us. As the weather finally cools down, we begin to think about Thanksgiving and the bounty of things in our lives, good health, food, a roof over our heads, and living in a country where we are allowed to speak out. The following is the SOCIAL ACTION to-do list that we can all participate in:

TO DO LIST FOR THOSE THAT CARE
Vote on Nov 6 and offer to drive someone who can not; remind any newly eligible people to register and vote. Attend the Back to Shul program on Nov 4 and stop by the SAC table to see how you can make a difference at our temple, community, and country. Attend the Hopeful Haven/Lowcountry Legal Program to find out how you can help vulnerable and abused families. Find out how you can brainstorm to make CBY more accessible for those with disabilities. Donate new and gently used coats, jackets, and heavy sweaters for children and adults. Drop off at the CBY coat rack in the social hall. We will contribute them to Bluffton Self Help and Deep Well. The Tzedakah fund will be making our annual donations to Deep Well and Bluffton Self Help for Thanksgiving food baskets. Get involved with the Lowcountry Coalition Against Hate, a community endeavor. A donation on behalf of CBY is being made to the Nechama Organization, a Jewish Response to Disaster, in order to help victims of hurricanes Florence and Michael. Give blood at the CBY Bloodmobile on Dec 2. Finally I would like to thank Jaquey Schmid, Adriana Urato, David Kimball, Pete and Sandy Leff, Valerie Appel, and the Religious School and Rabbi Bloom for organizing and participating in the Blessing of the Animals. Thanks to our members and pets who attended and donated to the Humane Society. ☆

SAC Sub-committee on Differently Abled People

The Social Action Sub-committee to address the needs and awareness of “Differently Abled” people met on Tuesday, October 16. Attending the meeting were sub-committee chairs Phil Davidson and Randy Kurjan, SAC Chair Janet Weingarten, and members JoAnne Doyle, Susan Britanisky, and Pennie Meiselman. Phil began the meeting with a discussion of background, scope, and priorities of the committee. It was agreed that initially, the focus would be on the needs of Congregation Beth Yam, addressing physical and social barriers across the ages. Strategies to address these barriers were proposed. The committee would like to develop and prioritize a “wish list” to reach its goal of reducing barriers to accessibility and inclusion in all areas of Congregation life. Please contact any member of the committee with requests or ideas that would be helpful to you. ☆

Adult Education – Barbara Slagowitz, Chair

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE NEW TESTAMENT


Thanks to all who attended our first Lunch and Learn of this year. Stay tuned for details about our next one in January.

Our next meeting will be November 1 at 3:30 PM at CBY. We would welcome new members. ☆

Care Committee – Carol Carty & Janice Fradkin, Co-chairs

Come along and celebrate as we bring Chanukah greetings (and delicious sufganiyot!) to Jewish residents of senior facilities here in Hilton Head and Bluffton during Chanukah week December 2 through 10. Let’s light the menorah, sing the dreidel song, and enjoy the warmth and friendship that is Chanukah.

Good fun for kids of all ages! Contact Janice Fradkin by email or 404-580-7513 or Carol Carty by email or 609-313-9036. ☆
CALLING ALL SHOPPERS!
1st night of Chanukah Dec 2nd!
Join us for our
Chanukah Showcase

Sunday November 18, 10:00am - 1:00pm
This is the last shopping Sunday before 1st Night!
(SHOP WILL BE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING NOV 22nd - 26th)

menorahs, candles, dreidels, decor, toys & gifts, wrapping ...
many new chachkes for dyn kinder, newborn to 90!

Nosh while you shop!
Our Beth Yam Youth Group will be selling
Home-made Sofganiyot (& other goodies)

Pre-Holiday Hours: Mondays & Wednesdays 1:00 - 3:00pm, Sundays 10am - 12:30pm
Friday, Nov 9th before Kabbalat Shabbat Services 5:00 - 5:45pm
and by appointment with Robin Krumholz or Ruth Hilsen
Browse our Catalogs too!
LAST DAY FOR CUSTOM ORDERS WILL BE SUNDAY NOV 11th!
March of the Living (continued)
helps prepare the students and a special thanks to Robin Krumholtz who writes the curriculum and teaches the pre-trip seminars and performs other administrative duties.

Yom Kippur afternoon you heard or may have seen the services live streamed when students spoke about the 2018 trip in their own words. The following are snippets of those talks:

Miyah Shatz
“It was a trip of a lifetime, one I will never forget that has given me a better sense of who I am and the community I am forever a part of. I was not alone. Everyone I knew and went with, and new people I met along the journey - they were all affected as well. How could you not be?

As we walked through Auschwitz, there was also a feeling of triumph. Generations later, Jewish teens can be seen annually marching through Auschwitz. It shows that we survived, that while we suffered, we were able to overcome and survive. This message that is conveyed is something that can never be forgotten. It is vital to understanding our role as Jews in the world, and it has become a huge part of my Jewish identity. My experience at Auschwitz was truly life changing and humbling. As we observe the Day of Atonement, these memories will continuously resurface. As I atone for my sins, I will remember the long-time suffering of those at Auschwitz. I know that my suffering on that day will not even begin to compare to theirs, but once again, it will provide a sliver of perspective. My experience at Auschwitz has shaped my perspective of the world. It has opened my eyes to the horror and tragedy that exists, but also the triumph and victory the oppressed can achieve. This trip was life changing, and I am incredibly honored to have been able to participate in it.”

Rebecca Keating
“As we were leaving the gates of Auschwitz, seconds after the march started, we were greeted by something that made most of us cry. Welcoming the marchers at the beginning of the first stretch was a group of Christian Koreans singing Hebrew prayers in unison. They were handing out papers that were apologizing for the events of the Holocaust on behalf of the entire Christian faith. Through my own tears I witnessed four people around me start bawling on site. These people who had less than no actual direct connection to the events of the Holocaust had come all the way to Poland to witness a march they didn’t participate in, to simply apologize. An apology from one faith to another. It became a march of atonement and forgiveness with this simple act. It was so freeing to join all these people and let go of the pain and spite.

When we got to Birkenau we all sat in the grass and listened to the speakers together, and yet again it didn’t feel like how one would expect a concentration camp to feel. We could see one of the crematoriums from our spot in the grass. Our tour guide told us there used to not be any grass because the prisoners used to eat it. It was little things like this that prevented our minds from wandering to the idea that this was just a normal field to have a picnic in on a nice day.”

Rebecca Gelb
“In April of 2018, I stood in a vividly green field, with birds chirping and the sun warming my skin. However, in April 1940, that same grass was just dirt, occasionally littered with flakes of what a child would think would be gray snow. In April 2018, I got to walk out of those gates well fed, educated and knowing the location of my loved ones, unlike the millions of men and women who never got that opportunity. I, a Jew, walking past the ovens, where innocent men, women and children went up in flames because of the god they loved and prayed to.

We must learn from each other but also take it with grace. We can’t sit idly by; we must take a stand, but we should do so with pure intention because you can’t bring down someone who has nothing but love and god in their hearts. You can’t.”

Cameron Wynne
“This past spring, I had the unbelievable opportunity to attend the 30th March of the Living in Poland and Israel. After hearing all about the trip from my sister the previous year, from then on I wanted to attend this life-changing trip.

What was embedded in my mind that day was the location of the houses surrounding Majdanek. Each side of the concentration camp was filled with apartments and homes, not more than 20 yards away. I was told that people sat on the roofs of their homes and watched as the Nazis executed hundreds of inmates a day right before their eyes. Knowing what was happening inside of the gates, they preferred to continue viewing without aiding the unethical events, for pleasure. Additionally, what caught my eye was a biker riding mindlessly through Majdanek like it held the beauty of a natural park. In my opinion, the local community in Poland do not view the concentration camps as we do; they view them as they are just another common area.”

Samuel Gelb
“As Dwight D. Eisenhower said, “Get it all on record now - get the films - get the witnesses - because somewhere down the road of history some bastard will get up and say that this never happened.” I mention this quote because I was among the privileged few who got to go on an extraordinary journey that affirmed my faith forever and insisted on Zionist principles that I will hold to my last breath of air. This trip was the March of the Living, and I saw things no Jew, better yet anyone with a soul, should ever see, but is crucially fundamental for all to see.

This was the first part of the trip, learning our past. The second was seeing the present and learning about

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March of the Living (continued)

the future in Israel. When I landed in Israel, there was a
certain bliss, a certain elated feeling of joy of seeing our
homeland in which I have only ever dreamed about. It
was among one of the happiest moments of my life, to
see our people for the first time in our promised land and
to see the unity and the strength of our people when in
Poland as well, when over 15,000 of us walked with
Israeli flags on our back and God with hope for the future
in our hearts.” ✡
CONTRIBUTIONS: We gratefully acknowledge the following from September 16-October 15:

- Adult Education Fund
  - From Felicia Pascal
  - In honor of Twyla & Bob Sable
  - In honor of Sharon & Nick Bass

- Back Pack Buddies
  - From Pennie & Alan Meiselman
  - In honor of a speedy & complete recovery to Janet Weingarten

- From Myra & Michael Goldschmidt
  - In honor of the birth of Carol & Larry Horowitz’s grandson, Elliott

- From Catherine & Steven Kite
  - In honor of our friendship with Janice & Maury Fradkin
  - In honor of our friendship with Ruth & Neil Hilsen
  - Wishing good health to Janet Weingarten

- Caplan Fund
  - From Jean Caplan
  - In honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of Janet & Mike Weingarten
  - In honor of the recovery of Beverly Averack
  - In honor of the 100th birthday of the father of Judy Gimbel
  - In honor of the recovery of Janet Weingarten

- Care Committee Fund
  - From Eva Rollnik
  - In memory of George Rollnik
  - From Susan & Mark Britanisky
  - Condolences to Ruth & Neil Hilsen on the passing of their brother
  - To Janice & Maury Fradkin for the speedy recuperation of their son, Michael

- From Sheila & Stanley Gefen
  - In loving memory of Ethel Davis Baker

- Flower Fund
  - From Marvin & Barbara Frogel
  - Shanah Tova to Sharon & Nick Bass
  - Shanah Tova to Twyla & Bob Sable

- Friends of CBY
  - From Donna & Nelson Adelman
  - To Sharon & Nick Bass
  - To Twyla & Bob Sable

- General Unrestricted Fund
  - From Robin & Alan Krumholz
    - In memory of Michael Gross
    - In memory of Gloria Krumholz
  - From Blanche Friedman
    - In honor of Eva Rollnik’s 90th birthday
  - From Melanie & Jeffrey Cohen
    - In memory of Helen Cohen
  - From Janet & Michael Weingarten
    - Mazel Tov to Cathy & Steve Kite for their daughter’s wedding

- From Mona Griffer
  - In memory of Jacob H. Berman

- From Sandy & Peter Leff
  - In memory of Phyllis Robbins, beloved mother of Sandy
  - In honor of the 100th birthday of Bob Lipman, father of Judy Gimbel
  - In memory of Alan Sandler, brother-in-law of Ruth & Neil Hilsen

- From Linda & Stuart Silver
  - In memory of David Kaplan, Linda’s brother

- Rabbi Discretionary Fund
  - From Michael Fritz
    - In memory of Max Fritz, father of Michael
  - From Nikki Greenberg
    - In honor of Eva Rollnik’s 90th birthday

- Tzedakah Fund
  - From Marleen & Abe Peritz
    - In memory of Ida Peritz, beloved mother of Abe
  - From Nancy & Joel Lerner
    - Wishing Janet Weingarten a speedy & complete recovery
  - From Myron & Elyse Meister
    - In honor of Judy & Stan Bluestone
    - In honor of Sharon & Nick Bass
    - In honor of Twyla & Bob Sable

- Youth Group
  - From Anne & Herbert Sirowitz
    - In memory of Randi Sirowitz
    - In memory of Joseph Bronstein

CBY prayer vigil held after shooting at Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburg was attended by local clergy and over 300 temple and community members.
We would like to introduce our newest members:

- Philip and Alisa Rogers – Affiliate members from Virginia,
- Peggy Markstein and David Huberfield – Affiliate members from Boca Raton, and
- Arnold and Genevie Olender – Affiliate members from Marietta, GA

Please give them a warm CBY welcome when you meet them.

### 2018-2019 Friends Campaign

- **Pennie Meiselman & Stanton Bluestone, Co-chairs**

We have started our climb to The Top of the Mountain and we are making progress. Friends is the second largest source of revenue for Congregation Beth Yam, second only to our dues. We have a targeted goal of $82,000, so please join other Friends in our climb to the Top of the Mountain.

We recognize that everyone has different means and priorities, but your membership in CBY is a strong indication of your desire to maintain your Jewish commitment and identity. We aim for 100% participation in the Friends Campaign. As co-chairs, we make it a point NOT to tell anyone what they should give, but we ask everyone to do a little better; and we look for broader participation because the more people who give, the stronger the bonds are among us and the stronger Congregation Beth Yam is.

Thank you,

Pennie Meiselman and Stan Bluestone ✡

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**GRANDPARENTS WORKSHOP**

**January 27, 12:30 PM**

- ♦ Have you found challenges grand-parenting children who are being brought up in interfaith families?
- ♦ Join us for lunch and a discussion about our “mingled roots”.

**FREE OF CHARGE**

1. How to raise the issue of celebrations for Jewish holidays?
2. What is my role as a Jewish grandparent?
3. How to discuss Judaism with my grandchildren and/or children.

Outreach is a part of the Membership committee and serves all CBY families. If you are in an interfaith marriage or have children or grandchildren in interfaith relationships, this workshop will answer lots of your questions.

**RSVP:** by email to Rebecca Mastrorocco or Marcia Frezza. Please let us know you will join us. ♦

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### Membership Committee—Candy Solomon & Sue Gostanian, Co-chairs

Please remember to pick up your Family Directory. It’s your way to stay connected!

Back to Shul Day will be held Sunday, November 4, from 4:00 to 5:30 PM at CBY. Come and learn about everything CBY has to offer. We will be having a Kugel Kook Off Kontest and light refreshments. You don’t want to miss this event!
After our experiences with several other contractors, we prefer to use Group 4 Builders as we continue to renovate our home.

Every remodeling project has its unforeseen surprises! Jack and his crew are open, honest, and creative in finding work-arounds for unexpected challenges! Jack is committed to ensuring that his customers are happy with the finished project. He notices the little things, and is always willing to re-do something that didn’t come out just right, even if they did exactly what you asked for, but you changed your mind once you saw it! Jack’s pricing methodology is fair and straightforward; never any surprises there! We will continue using Jack for all future work to upgrade and maintain our home.

Robin and Alan Krumholz

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