# 2019 High Holy Days Schedule

## Selichot (no tickets required for Selichot activities) September 21, 2019

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<td>Havdalah and Selichot Service</td>
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<td>Walking Meditation at Dolphin Head Recreation Area in HHP</td>
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## Rosh Hashanah September 29 (Erev), 2019-October 1, 2019

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<td>Family Service with Student Cantor Brodsky</td>
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<td>Tashlich with Student Cantor Brodsky (Jarvis Creek Park, Pavilion #1)</td>
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<td>Morning Service with Student Cantor Brodsky–2nd day</td>
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<td>Shabbat Shuvah with Student Cantor Brodsky &amp; Torah Discussion</td>
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## Yom Kippur October 8 (Erev), 2019-October 9, 2019

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<td>Memorial Service at Six Oaks Cemetery</td>
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<td>Erev Yom Kippur, Kol Nidre Service with SC Brodsky &amp; HHD Choir</td>
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<td>Afternoon Service including Torah &amp; Haftarah Service with SC Brodsky</td>
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<td>Yizkor and Ne’ilah (Concluding) Service with Student Cantor Brodsky</td>
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<td>Break the Fast (All Saints Episcopal Church)</td>
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## Sukkot—Simchat Torah (no tickets required) October 13 (Erev), 2019-October 22, 2019

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<td>Erev Sukkot (no service)</td>
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<td>Monday, October 14*</td>
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<td>Festival of Sukkot Services / Kiddush</td>
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<td>Religious School Students Nosh with Rabbi in Sukkah</td>
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<td>Sukkot-Yizkor Service–Last day of Sukkot</td>
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<td>Erev Simchat Torah Service</td>
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<td>Friday, October 25</td>
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<td>Family Shabbat Service–Simchat Torah</td>
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<td>9 AM Religious School Sanctuary Reserved</td>
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<td>10 AM Ritual Committee</td>
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<td>Shmini Atzeret</td>
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<td>4:30 PM Seminar on Identity Theft</td>
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<td>Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan</td>
<td>1 PM Judaica Shop Open</td>
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<td>7 PM CBY Choir Rehearsal</td>
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**Student Cantor Olivia Brodsky**

Mark your calendars and join us when Student Cantor Olivia Brodsky worships with us on the following dates …

- September 29-October 9
- October 25
- November 22
- December 6
**SAVE THE DATE FOR NOVEMBER 2019**

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<td>Religious School Committee Meeting</td>
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<td>Parent Brunch &amp; Learn - Halakhah : The Hottest Issues in Jewish Law and Life</td>
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**DINE TOGETHER**

**2019-2020 SEASON**

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**Thursday, October 17, 6:00 - 8:00 PM**

This is a wonderful way to enjoy great food, catch up with friends and meet new acquaintances. **HogsHead Kitchen & Wine Bar,** 1555 Fording Island Rd. Ste D Hilton Head (Moss Creek Village Center).

Make your reservations today. [CLICK HERE](#) for reservations.
Rabbi’s Message

In the month of October we not only observe Yom Kippur but we also celebrate the festival of Sukkot. So much about Sukkot is connected to the cycle of climate. In Israel the prayers for rain begin, and we modify certain prayers to reflect our hopes that God will cause the rains to flow down upon the land and make it fertile. This time of the year in Israel is critical because from the fall through the late spring is the rainy season. The rest of the year, summer and through mid-fall, there is no precipitation. It is a delightful time, but if Israel does not get enough rain during those crucial months, it creates serious problems for the society. So when we say “Masheiv HaRuach Umorid HaGashem, [God] cause the winds and bring down the rains”, it has a real and not just a theological application.

In the Talmud, Honi said before God during a time of drought in ancient Israel: “Master of the Universe, Your children have turned their faces toward me, as I am like a member of Your household. Therefore, I take an oath by Your great name that I will not move from here until You have mercy upon Your children and answer their prayers for rain.” Rain began to trickle down, but only in small droplets. His students said to him: “Rabbi, we have seen that you can perform great wonders, but this quantity of rain is not enough to ensure that we will not die. It appears to us that a small amount of rain is falling only to enable you to dissolve your oath, but it is not nearly enough to save us.” (Tractate Taanit)

Rain matters there and in other Mediterranean climates such as our own California, where the economy depends so much upon agriculture. For us living in Hilton Head and in other hurricane prone zones along the southeast corridor, rain and wind can have catastrophic effects. We have had too much experience in this arena in recent years. Hurricane Dorian is just the latest hurricane in a progression of hurricanes which are now becoming the new normal. Instead of welcoming the rain, in our world it appears many will come to fear it for the potential destructive force of wind and rain upon our land and our property.

Back to prayer again as we did last month in our return from Dorian and the Temple-wide service of gratitude and hope. I am so proud of our Social Action Committee and Board of Directors who voted to provide support to the appropriate charity in response to the hurricane disaster in the Bahama Islands. Again, prayer leads to action. The irony is that Jewish tradition teaches us to pray for rain, and in our part of the country rain is also life giving but the consequences of our stewardship has apparently altered the climate patterns, thereby causing the increase of hurricanes and havoc upon our lives. So the answer is not praying to God to hold back the rains. Rather, the prayers we need now are to move us to preserve the world and protect the climate, for our lives may very well depend upon it.

Sukkoth is our Jewish Thanksgiving holiday for the harvest and the potential of the rains that will sustain us physically and spiritually as well. “Give thanks to the Eternal One who is good, for God’s mercy extends forever.” (Psalms) We need those prayers for God’s mercy and our resolve to make a difference for the future well-being of the world.

Shalom and Hag Sameah

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

Men’s Club – Dave Solomon, President

Men’s Club sponsored speaker Congressman Joe Cunningham, who addressed our group of over 60 members and guests. In addition, we also had a presentation by Jessie White, Staff Attorney with the South Carolina Environmental Law Project. The congressman talked about the governmental projects he was involved with concerning offshore drilling along the east coast, seismic testing, and what actions he was taking in Congress to protect our coastal environment.

Ms. White talked about seismic testing occurring as part of the search for oil, and, secondly, Harbor Beach housing on public land, which has been an ongoing issue and is causing significant beach erosion. It was very enlightening and presented us with food for thought.

Reverend Ian Lamote who is involved with Wreaths Across America will be addressing the Men’s Club at a lunch meeting October 24. Last year several CBY members attached Jewish stars to wreaths which were placed on the Jewish graves in the National Cemetery in Beaufort. Reverend Lamote will be soliciting help from the Men’s Club this year to add stars and place wreaths. ✯
We are in the period between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur known as the Aseret Yemei Teshuvah, the critical time for Jews to practice teshuvah… literally, “returning” or “repentance”, looking at ourselves objectively in anticipation of Yom Kippur and the year ahead. These are the opportunities for self-reflection and change for the better, of course.

I’ve been thinking a great deal about this, especially as we are also in the run-up to the next presidential election. This column is not a political commentary but simply my reflections on my personal teshuvah and my commitment this year to focusing on what I share with my friends and colleagues and not what separates me from them.

Since last spring I have been reading a very long book titled “These Truths,” by Jill Lepore, a professor of American history at Harvard, a prolific writer and contributor to the New Yorker Magazine. As she explores the history of this country with a particular emphasis on American endemic racism, women’s rights, anti-Semitism, and anti-immigration throughout, I am struck by the similarity of 1924 to the current times. She writes, “the immigration restriction regime begun in 1924 hardened racial lines, institutionalized new forms of race-based discrimination, codified the fiction of the white race, and introduced a new legal category into American life: the ‘illegal alien.’” Europeans, deemed “white”, were classified by their national origins, and ranked according to their desirability (Jews were not desirable). Such people could immigrate in limited numbers; entering the United States as legal aliens, they could become naturalized citizens. Asians could not immigrate at all.

These laws drew support from a Ku Klux Klan that had emerged in 1915; by the 1920’s its five million members attacked Jews and Catholics as vehemently as they attacked blacks, and it provided vocal support of immigration restriction. Many Americans, including members of the American Jewish Committee, were concerned about the turn in the American public and understood that we Jews had the best chance of addressing these concerns by forming coalitions with other minorities.

This sounds all too familiar, and I believe that we Jews have to remember that our history as Jewish Americans was not as comfortable as the present. It is important that we are aware of our past, not be daunted by it, but recognize that such national animus is always possible.

Therefore, we need to speak civilly to one another, to bridge what divides us and not focus on what does not, for we are indeed one.

We have a unique opportunity to hear US Senator Tim Scott speak on “The Importance of Civility in Public Discourse” when we welcome him to Congregation Beth Yam on Thursday, October 10, at 6:00 PM. His lecture is sponsored by the Judie Aronson Initiative for Social Justice. Please put this on your calendar, bring your friends and join your public officials and leadership. It is my hope that this will usher in a renewed effort by all of us to be the warm and welcoming synagogue that we aim to be, and that the spirit of the upcoming Yom Kippur will inform the year ahead.

B’shalom and shanah tovah tikoteivu v’tikoteimu.

Judy
Summer turns to fall, and with it comes Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. I wanted to learn if there were any symbols or meaning in these High Holy Days that were particularly relevant to women. I came across an interesting article on "thejc.com" (Jewish Chronicle). After blowing the shofar on Rosh Hashanah, we say “Hayom Harat Olam.” The word “harat” is related to pregnancy and birth. Herayon, in Modern Hebrew means pregnancy. Horah is the name for a parent. Rashbam, in medieval times, commenting on Genesis 49:26, related the word “har” (meaning mountains) with our parents and ancestors being the “ancient mountains from which we are hewn.” In more modern times, we interpret the phrase as “today is the birthday of the world.” Rabbi Matis Weinberg translated it as “today is the conception of the world.” Just as the developing fetus is sensitive and reactive to changes in the uterine environment, the New Year, Rosh Hashanah, is considered the “womb” which defines the potential for the rest of the year. On Rosh Hashanah, “we pray for the safe birth and potential of the New Year.” It is interesting that on Rosh Hashanah we listen to the Haftarah related to Hannah and her yearning for a child. When she joyously conceives, she offers her son to the temple to thank Adonai. On Rosh Hashanah we also read about the binding of Isaac, the son of the elderly Sarah, whom Adonai has miraculously blessed with pregnancy. The matriarch Rachel also figures prominently on Rosh Hashanah. According to Kabbalah, “the shofar of Rosh Hashanah symbolizes the womb of the mother, its blast the birth of a new blessed year.” In the study of the meaning of numbers, there are many numbers that relate to women, in that the mother symbolizes the home and builds for her family a holy sanctuary. The numerical value for Rosh Hashanah is 861. 861 is also the value of the Holy Temple. The symbolism goes on and on.

I want to take this opportunity, as we approach the birth of the New Year, to wish you all L'Shanah Tovah tikatavu v’tichatemu!

**Book Club, Rita Suntup**

The Book Group will meet on Thursday, October 24, at 12:45 PM (note time change) to discuss Philip Roth’s novel GOODBYE COLUMBUS in the Social Hall at CBY. You are welcome to bring your lunch. Cold drinks will be provided. RSVP by October 21 to Rita Suntup by email.

**WELCOME TO ALL NEW MEMBERS**

As a new congregant, know that you have a complimentary membership to our Sisterhood for one year. Please come join us. ✨

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**NOVEMBER 13, 2019**

Sisterhood Appreciation Luncheon

The only cost to you is your dues!

Reservations are necessary

Please call or e-mail:

Ruth Hilsen: by email or (687-642-7246)
Sheila Margeson: by email

Please bring travel sized toiletries (deodorant, soap, shampoo, conditioner, body wash, toothpaste, toothbrushes and/or combs for our service project at the Prayer Service. We will put together toiletry bags for women at Hopeful Horizons.
Social Action Committee—Janet Weingarten, Chair

L’Shana Tova
At this time of year our thoughts turn to our accomplishments and maybe interactions, good or bad. Most of us will commit to do better and, in my opinion, that is what keeps ourselves and our world moving forward. In the Social Action Committee that means continuing to do acts of Tikkun Olam, making the world a better place.

In October, hopefully all of you will make a commitment to fill the bags that you picked up on Rosh Hashanah with food and dry goods. PLEASE REMEMBER THE BAGS ARE DOUBLED SO THAT THEY WON’T RIP. KEEP THE BAGS THAT WAY! Also, fill extra bags because they are smaller than in previous years. FILLED BAGS MUST BE RETURNED BY YOM KIPPUR. They will be picked up the day after by Deep Well and Bluffton Self Help.

Keep your eyes open in the November Tidings for information regarding our new CBY Dining/Entertainment card. The card will contain a variety of local merchants who have offered CBY members discounts at many of your favorite restaurants, as well as activities like movies, putt-putt, zip-lining, bike rentals, etc. Our team is working with restaurants and entertainment venues in the Bluffton/Hilton Head areas to make this a valuable resource for you and the participating establishments. Watch for more information on obtaining your Dining/Entertainment card in October.

As always, the Fund Raising Committee is looking for new members to join our team so we can continue to develop new activities and events to support CBY.

Make sure you have the talk by Senator Tim Scott on your calendar. He will be speaking at 6:00 PM on Oct 10 on Civility in Public Discourse. This talk is part of the Judith Aronson Social Justice Initiative. Please RSVP to me by email.

Look for forthcoming information on CBY’s annual blood drive in December.

This is my last column as Chair of SAC. It has been an honor and joy to serve this most important committee. Thank you to all committee members for all you do and will continue to do. A special thank you to Alys and Ruth for your assistance as co-chairs.

Please remember to help make the lives of others better: feed the hungry, clothe the poor, support women’s reproductive rights, call for stricter gun laws, fight for equal pay and equality for all regardless of sexuality. Fight for the immigrant, fight for voter rights and against gerrymandering. If we do these things plus many more mitzvahs, we will be fulfill many of the mandates in the Torah. Stand up, speak up, and act up.

Shalom, Janet

Adult Education – Barbara Slagowitz, Chair

GET READY TO LEARN
Lots of exciting programs coming in the months ahead. The premiere of the Lowcountry Jewish Film Festival is October 27 at 7:00 PM at Coligny Theater. The film is “The Samuel Project”. See the flyer in the Tidings for details. Tickets can be purchased from our website www.bethyam.org.

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L’ Shana Tova
At this time of year our thoughts turn to our accomplishments and maybe interactions, good or bad. Most of us will commit to do better and, in my opinion, that is what keeps ourselves and our world moving forward. In the Social Action Committee that means continuing to do acts of Tikkun Olam, making the world a better place.

In October, hopefully all of you will make a commitment to fill the bags that you picked up on Rosh Hashanah with food and dry goods. PLEASE REMEMBER THE BAGS ARE DOUBLED SO THAT THEY WON’T RIP. KEEP THE BAGS THAT WAY! Also, fill extra bags because they are smaller than in previous years. FILLED BAGS MUST BE RETURNED BY YOM KIPPUR. They will be picked up the day after by Deep Well and Bluffton Self Help.

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Care Committee – April Adelson & JoAnne Doyle, Co-chairs

The Hospital Visitation Team has been busy all summer making visits to Jewish patients in Hilton Head Hospital. In September, we had volunteers visit and deliver Rosh Hashanah bags filled with apples, honey, and challah to senior care facilities in Bluffton and Hilton Head.

**Save the Date:** The Senior Chanukah Party is scheduled for December 17 and volunteers are needed to form a subcommittee to work on this event.

Do a mitzvah – Join the Hospital Visitation Team to make visits to Jewish patients, join Cantor Olivia Brodsky as she makes her October visits to Jewish patients living in health care facilities, or help make visits to rehab facilities. There are many other ways to become involved at the level you are comfortable with, have fun, and make new friends. You can contact JoAnne directly by email and April by email. We hope to see you! ✨

Judie Aronson Social Justice Initiative

The Judie Aronson Initiative is pleased to announce that the honorable Senator from South Carolina, Tim Scott, will be the featured speaker at its first annual lecture. He will be speaking on October 10 at 6:00 PM at CBY. Senator Scott’s topic will be “The Importance of Civility in Our Public Discourse.” Before the speech Senator Scott will be speaking to some of our youth.

This timely speech is made possible through the generosity of the late Judie Aronson’s family. As you are aware, Judie was the first chair of the Social Action Committee and served until her death. Judie’s life on Hilton Head was devoted to promoting social justice issues such as hunger, education, inequities, and combating hate and anti-Semitism.

At a time when a lack of civility pervades our society at every level, it is important to join with our fellow congregants, community, and religious leaders to hear the Senator’s message. Please save the date and invite your neighbors to this event honoring Judie. Rabbi Bloom will be the moderator. ✨

Membership Committee – Candy Solomon & Janice Fradkin, Co-chairs

Friday, September 13, saw a double celebration of Shabbat as two CBY services were held that evening: one in our building and the other in Bluffton at the satellite building of St. Andrew’s by the Sea Methodist Church.

Our Lev Simcha service there was truly joyful with lots of music, song, and lively discussion. Watch the Tidings for details on our next Lev Simcha – the Chanukah edition.

Our greeters program has changed! Each Membership committee member will be taking a month and making greeter calls for that month. The greeters have a huge impact on prospective members walking through our doors on Friday nights so please say “yes” when asked to participate!

The Chanukah menorah lighting will take place this year at CBY due to security concerns. Join us for this fun and spirited event! Details to follow.

The Family Directory will be ready sometime after the High Holy Days. You will be notified when they are ready for distribution.

**We welcome our newest members:**

- Meredith Strmac (Resident Single) of Belfair
- Cathy Strmac (Resident Single) of Belfair
- Tom and Lilli Kertesz (Resident Family) of Tidepointe
- Rebecca and Douglas McCarty (Resident Single) and their three children of Beaufort.
- Sally and David Miskit (Resident Family) of Hampton Hall
- Cindy and Arthur Terodemos (Resident Single) and their two children of Bluffton
- Randie Wolfe (Resident Single) of Belfair

From the Membership committee to all of our CBY family, L’Shana Tova Tikateivu. ✨
Ritual Committee — David Kurjan, Chair

The culmination of the “Days of Awe” is Yom Kippur (The Day of Atonement). This is the day at the conclusion of which, according to tradition, God seals the Books of Life and Death for the coming year. The day is devoted to communal repentance for sins committed over the course of the previous year. Because of the nature of Yom Kippur and its associated rituals, it is the most solemn day in the Jewish calendar.

A ritual for the atonement of sins was in existence already during biblical times. However, it was only during the Second Temple Period that Yom Kippur assumed central importance as a day of mourning and abstention. By the Rabbinic Period, it had become the most important day in the Jewish liturgical calendar, an importance that the day has retained until the modern period.

Yom Kippur is the day on which we are instructed to divorce ourselves as completely as humanly possible from the everyday world in which we live, in order to devote ourselves with all our hearts and minds to our relationship with God. Fasting is the most widespread demonstration of this devotion. It is traditional to dress in white on this day, symbolizing personal purity.

The liturgy of Yom Kippur is completely centered in the synagogue. It is traditional to wear a tallit, or prayer shawl, at all times in the synagogue on Yom Kippur; this is the only time during the year when the is worn in the evening. There are more and longer services on this day than any other in the Jewish calendar. During the course of the holiday, a major component of the liturgy is the repeated communal confession of sins. Yom Kippur is ushered in while it is still light out with a powerful and ancient prayer called Kol Nidrei (All Vows), in which the congregation asks that all vows made under duress during the coming year may be considered null and void before God. The day closes with a unique and emotionally powerful service called Neilah, during which the liturgy imagines the gates of heaven closing at the end of the High Holy Day period. Neilah, during which it is traditional to stand since the Ark is opened, ends with a long blast of the shofar, or ram’s horn, understood by many as signifying God’s redemptive act in answer to true repentance.

The overarching theme of Yom Kippur is repentance. During the holiday all thoughts are supposed to be centered on this theme. From Kol Nidrei to Neilah, the day revolves around the theme of communal repentance for sins committed against our fellow man during the past year, in order that both the community and the individual be inscribed in the Book of Life for the coming year. ✡
New members Cathy and Richard Rothbard of Bluffton are happy to announce the marriage of their daughter, Sandra, to Aaron Bock. The wedding took place on September 14 at Callaway Gardens in Pine Mountain, Georgia. The bride is an urban planner who is the Associate Director of Mobility for Sidewalk Labs in New York City. The groom is Director of North American Staff for Taglit-Birthright Israel. The couple resides in Brooklyn, NY.
L'Shanah Tovah Greetings

Donna & Nelson Adelman and family
Vicki & Ivan Albert
Ed & Elaine Appelbaum
Sheila & Gene Aronoff
Frances & Arthur Behrens and family
Gay & Sam Birnbaum and family
Lorna Bonner & Joel Greene
Sharon & Ed Brager
Marida Bruggeman and children
Kathy & Michael Burnce
Bob & Maureen Bush and family
Jan & Bruce Chertow
Jeri & Ted David
Ellie Dixon
JoAnne & Raymond Doyle
Sheri Farbstein & Howard Rothchild and family
Marcy & Ed Fine
Janice & Maury Fradkin
Marcia & Tony Frezza and family
Marcie & Jack Frisch
Barbara & Marvin Frogel
Sheila & Stan Gefen
Lois & Errol Golub
Nikki Greenberg and children
Geri Gutweniger
Helen Hauer and children
Jane & Hart Joseph
Janice Kaden
Helen & Donald Kahaner and family
Arlene Katz
To Rabbi Brad & Linda Bloom...

(from Janet & Danny Kelley)
Paul & Hannah Kirschenfeld & children
Robin & Alan Krumholz and family
Randy & David Kurjan
Sharon & Robert Leff
Sandy & Pete Leff
Nancy & Joel Lerner
Arline Levit
Ronnie Liebowitz and family
Shirley & Kenneth Massman
Pennie & Alan Weiselman and family
The whole Beth Yam Congregation
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Jack Resnick
Eva Rollnik and family
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Twyla & Bob Sable
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Jaquey Schmid
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L'Shana Tova – Tikatevu v’Tiketemu
To our congregational family,
May you be written and sealed in the Book of Life.
Rabbi & Linda Bloom and
Leah, Michael & Wesley Gabriel Miller

Beach Brunch 2019
Walking Meditation with Rabbi Bloom & Friends

Entering the High Holy Days and the penitential season with a meditative walk along the bluff.

Readings & discussions
A beautiful place to walk and enjoy our scenic surroundings.
Bring dairy snacks and drinks to share.

Call Bev Averack: 843-682-3778 for a gate pass.

Dolphin Head
Recreation Area Pavilion
Hilton Head Plantation
Sunday, October 6, 4:00 PM

High Holy Days Food Drive

Feeding the Community – Tikkun Olam

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For complete list of needed items, check our website www.bethyam.org

Note: A gate pass to Sea Pines is NOT required.

Drive to Visitors Gatehouse and inform them that you are attending the memorial service.

CBY Memorial Service at
Six Oaks Cemetery,
Sea Pines Plantation
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Painted vanity, new counter top, new faucet and mirrors...

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