

JANUARY 2020



Brandeis Boutiques at Book & Author 2020

**Friday, February 21, 2020
Westin Kierland Resort & Spa**

AUTHORS and SHOPPING and LUNCH, What FUN!

Come for the books, come for the authors, stay for the shopping, the food and the fun!
Doors open at 9:00 am, so come early to shop our new and returning boutiques
and be ready for author signings at 9:30 am.

- ★ Calle Rose
- ★ Jacqueline B
- ★ Shelley's Fashions
- ★ Classy Bag Lady
- ★ Treasured Accessory
- ★ Beth Solem Jewelry
- ★ Arizona Bed Sheets
- ★ Hand-Painted Silk Scarves **NEW!**
- ★ Artistic Beadwork Jewelry **NEW!**
- ★ Botanicals in Clay Pottery **NEW!**
- ★ Kathy Kamei Designs
- ★ Serving Pieces by Linda Finecy **NEW!**
- ★ Hot Girls Pearls Cooling Jewelry **NEW!**
- ★ Storybook Sculpture by Brittany Sawrey **NEW!**

**BOUTIQUES AND BOOK SALES
9:00 AM - 3:30 PM**

**BOOK SIGNINGS BEGIN
9:30 AM**

**MORNING PROGRAM
11:00 AM**

**LUNCH
12:30 PM**

**AFTERNOON PROGRAM
1:30 PM**

**BOUTIQUES AND BOOK SALES REMAIN
OPEN AFTER THE PROGRAM**



For more information about all Book & Author events, contact the Event Chairs
See more vendor information on page 4.



Co-Presidents' Message

Dear Fellow Brandeis Members,

There is something about a new year that causes us to take stock of where we are and where we would like to be going. Our Brandeis Phoenix Chapter has a lot to feel good about. We rolled up our sleeves, got to work (all the while having fun) and met our financial and membership goals. In the process we

became a loving Brandeis family. We care about each other.

Recently we lost a member of our Board, Sharon Tievsky. As a co-VP for our Book & Author event, Sharon worked many hours with her co-chairs to ensure the event's success. Sharon was a warm, kind person who had a good word for everyone she came into contact with. Our Brandeis family will miss her!

If you doubt that we have become a family, join us and participate in our good works. You will quickly come to realize that the BNC-Phoenix Chapter creates caring, sharing bonds among our members.

The BNC has always supported Brandeis University in fulfilling its founding principles of academic distinction, inclusivity and the betterment of the world since 1948. The Honoring our History Campaign exemplifies these principles by supporting the digitization of the Brandeis Library's unique collections highlighting social justice.

On December 14th we had a wonderful Cabaret Evening. Thank you to the Cabaret co-chairs Ruth Lerner and Jo Ellen Susman and the programming committee. The proceeds of that fun event were earmarked for the Honoring our History Campaign.

Our 2020 BNC calendar is swiftly filling-up. This month we are proud to present our University on Wheels Event. Professor Billy Flesch will be discussing *How Movies Work*, which will explore the intersection of reality and the transition to another world, which occurs when we are engrossed in a film.

Looking forward to seeing our members at our upcoming events.

Participate and become a part of our caring BNC family.

Happy, Healthy New year!

Marcia Langer & Judy Levine
Co-Presidents, BNC Phoenix Chapter



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Thank you for a Wonderful Fall Cabaret Event

To Our 2020 Cabaret Co-Chairs:
Ruth Lerner, Jo Ellen Susman

To Our Extraordinary Cabaret Bakers and Event Volunteers:

Carol Abrams
Chuck Abrams
Bonnie Clewans
Paula Eckstein
Jeff Fagin
Marty Goodman
Gale Gradus

Nyles Gradus
Susan Kremin
Judy Krockey
Frank Lange
Hana Lange
Marcia Langer
Sue Lawler

Sara Leopold
Jeff Lerner
Ruth Lerner
Judy Levine
BJ Martinez
Andi Morrison
Gary Morrison

Brina Pepper
Carole Rabin
Nancy Sacks Goldberg
Arline Salbe
Jo Ellen Susman
Sandi Zucker

**To all who attended and supported our Chapter in raising funds for
Brandeis National Committee's Honoring Our History Campaign**

It Takes A Village!



Our Chapter's Bylaws have been reviewed and updated...We could not have achieved this without the teamwork of our Chapter Leaders...

Thank you to our amazing Organizational Advisory Committee (O.A.C.) for your year-long research and the presentation of your Bylaws change recommendations to the General Board over the past three months.

Co-Chairs: Sara Leopold and Susie Sacks

Committee Members: Michelle Fischler, Henriette Hasley, Hillary Kaminsky, Stephanie Klopper, Ronee Siegel

Thank you to our world-class BNC Phoenix General Board and our Past Presidents for your pre-meeting comments, your questions, your suggestions, and ultimately your vote of support for almost 100% of the recommended changes.

Thank you to Bonnie Furst for taking the minutes of the lively Board meetings.

Thank you to Beth Messer for overseeing the voting and ensuring we had an accurate count.

Thank you to Barbara Stern for doing an excellent job as Parliamentarian.

Boutiques Galore!

We aim to make this the best boutique shopping experience for our guests.

Our favorite vendors and five vendors from California (CA) are back with fabulous new styles and exciting designs in clothing, purses and jewelry. We welcome six new vendors with their fantastic wares, including gorgeous hand-painted scarves, beautiful handmade bead jewelry, marvelous botanical-inspired pottery, wonderful bead-wrapped stainless steel serving pieces, hand-painted coaster sets and vases, plus Hot Girls Pearls cooling jewelry!

We hope you enjoy shopping for this worthy cause. We are grateful to our vendors, who graciously donate 20% of their proceeds of the day.



**Come enjoy the experience, browse and shop!
We look forward to seeing you and helping you enjoy the day!**

Calle Rose: Always a favorite! Ladies' apparel, jewelry, watches, handbags and more!

Jacqueline B: Women's up-to-the-minute clothing at great prices! Sweaters, Italian silk dresses, blouses, t-shirts and great sweat suits. (From CA)

Shelley's Fashions: Fashionable women's wear featuring upscale clothing - jackets, coats, tops, sweaters, pants and much more! (From CA)

Classy Bag Lady: Fabulous variety of quality leather handbags. (From CA)

Treasured Accessory: Beautiful stylish jewelry - so much to choose from! (From CA)

Beth Solem Jewelry: Stunning sterling silver jewelry; limited edition and hand-forged.

Arizona Bed Sheets: Egyptian sheets sets, Bamboo Luxury sheets, twin/full/Queen/King/Cal King/Split King, travel neck pillows, handmade designer jackets.

Hand-Painted Silk Scarves: Gorgeous and colorful hand-painted scarves with that "wow" factor! **NEW!**

Artistic Beadwork Jewelry: Unique handcrafted and colorful lampwork beads and anodized aluminum jewelry fashioned into necklaces, bracelets and earrings. **NEW!**

Botanicals in Clay Pottery: Marvelous botanical-inspired pottery pieces **NEW!**

Kathy Kamei Designs: Sterling silver and 18 ct. gold exceptional jewelry inspires and celebrates women! (From CA)

Serving Pieces by Linda Finecy: Beautiful bead-wrapped stainless steel serving pieces, hand-painted coaster sets and vases. **NEW!**

Hot Girls Pearls Cooling Jewelry: Necklaces and bracelets - 3 colors, 3 sizes, freezable jewelry! **NEW!**

Storybook Sculpture by Brittany Sawrey: Bringing your favorite books to life through handmade, one-of-a-kind, amazing paper sculptures. Recycled books are meticulously and intricately sculpted into unique works of art. **NEW!**



Pearls of Wisdom

30th Anniversary

Brandeis National Committee

Phoenix Chapter Book & Author Events

Proceeds to Benefit

Brandeis National Committee's

Sustaining the Mind: Scientific Research and Scholarships Fund

Friday, February 21, 2020

The Westin Kierland Resort and Spa

6902 East Greenway Parkway, Scottsdale, AZ 85254

Program begins at 11 a.m.

Doors Open for Boutiques and Book Sales at 9 a.m.

Luncheon admission is \$135*

Complimentary self-parking is included with luncheon admission.

Valet parking is available at your expense.



*Any amount over \$115 is a charitable contribution.

Click [HERE](#) for the invitation to the 30th Anniversary Book & Author events!



Becoming a Bookmark



Your Bookmark gift can really help make a difference!

Kick off the 30th Annual Book & Author events by having fun while supporting important research at Brandeis University!

Bookmark donors are those who contribute to this event, at various levels as described below.

As a Bookmark donor, you will be invited to a Cocktail Reception with the authors on the evening before the Book & Author luncheon. Join your friends, meet new people and get to know this year's authors over delicious food and fine wine. Bookmark donors at the most generous levels will have the opportunity to spend even more quality time with the authors at an intimate dinner following the Cocktail Reception.

You can become a Bookmark by simply clicking on the link below that will take you to the directions and the invitation for this year's events. After clicking on the Bookmark link and filling out a short questionnaire that will provide us with your contact information, you will be personally telephoned by a member of the Bookmark Registration Committee to assist you with your reservation for this year's Book & Author events.

Your contribution to become a Bookmark and attend this event benefits the Sustaining the Mind Fund at Brandeis, which supports neuroscience research and scholarship. Your philanthropic contribution can truly make a difference: it supports groundbreaking research in the field of brain-related diseases, including ALS, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, autism, epilepsy and MS. Brandeis scientists and researchers have already made headway in finding specific genes related to memory loss and autism.

Please join us on Thursday, February 20th as a Bookmark donor!
Susan Sacks and Merri Rubin, Bookmark Chairs

Bookmark Donor Giving Levels

Author's Edition \$275 - Luncheon and Cocktail Reception for one.
Anything contributed over \$215 is a charitable contribution

Best Sellers \$375 - Luncheon for one and Cocktail Reception for two.
Anything contributed over \$315 is a charitable contribution

Classics \$575 - Luncheon and Cocktail Reception for two and one book of choice from a featured author.
Anything contributed over \$455 is a charitable contribution

Bibliophile \$1,000 – Luncheon, Cocktail Reception and Dinner with the authors for one, five books of choice from featured authors, and a \$100 gift certificate to be used at any of the boutiques.
Anything contributed over \$695 is a charitable contribution

Rare Finds \$1,200 – Luncheon and Cocktail Reception for two, Dinner with the authors for one, one book of choice from a featured author.
Anything contributed over \$710 is a charitable contribution

Limited Editions \$1,600 - Luncheons for two with preferred seating, Cocktail Reception and Dinner for two, and two books of choice from the featured authors.
Anything contributed over \$990 is a charitable contribution

Adopt an Author \$3,500 - Luncheons for two with preferred seating with an author, Cocktail Reception for two, Dinner for two and book signing session with the same author, five books of choice from the featured authors, and membership in the Justice Brandeis Society.
Anything contributed over \$1,065 is a charitable contribution

Collector's Editions \$5,000 - Luncheons for ten with preferred seating with an author, Cocktail Reception and Dinner with the authors for four, five books from the featured authors, and membership in the Justice Brandeis Society.
Anything contributed over \$2,695 is a charitable contribution

*Donations in any amount are gratefully accepted, including matching, foundation and planned gifts.
 All charitable contributions will be listed in event material as requested.*

Click [HERE](#) for the Invitation to the 30th Anniversary Book & Author events!

30th Anniversary - Pearls of Wisdom Book & Author Event

February 20-21, 2020



ONLINE REGISTRATION

We hope you are looking forward to the upcoming 30th anniversary Book & Author events as much as we are! In response to member requests, this year we are excited to be able to provide online registration.

As with anything, it takes a little time to become comfortable with a new way of doing things. We hope the directions below will make it easy for you. But if you have questions or difficulties with the online reservations process, please call (480) 442-9623 or email bncphxba@gmail.com for help.

There are two Registration options in the invitation, as you will see below:

To make your Bookmark contribution with reservations (cocktail party invitations, dinner with the authors, luncheon tickets included with your Bookmark gift), please [Click HERE](#). You will be asked to fill out a short questionnaire with contact information. Soon thereafter, you will be called by a member of the Bookmark Registration Committee to complete your reservations for the events you wish to attend, including your payment information and meal and seating requests.

Please be aware that if you are planning to make your Bookmark contribution via a family or private foundation, the foundation check must be accompanied by your credit card information or personal check for the Fair Market Value of your selected Bookmark level. Thank you in advance for understanding Brandeis University's IRS compliance requirements.

For tickets to the luncheon only, please [Click HERE](#) and fill out the required information. This will include your name, contact information, meal choice, dessert choice, Table Captain (if you have one), names of people you wish to sit with and payment options/information. The online registration screens will also allow you to register and pay for any guests you might be bringing.

We look forward to seeing you all at Book & Author!

Michelle Fischler and Barbara Stern
Event Chairs, 30th Anniversary Book & Author

Brandeis University Comes to Phoenix!

University on Wheels Presents

Professor Billy Flesch

Reserve Online Now!

Friday, January 10, 2020 9:00 am - 12:00 pm



We're happy to announce that this year's presenter for University on Wheels will be Professor Billy Flesch. He holds a BA from Yale and MA and PhD degrees from Cornell University. Professor Flesch is not just "another English Professor," but is multi-faceted, with a background in Film, Behavioral Economics and the Psychology of Literature. His presentation, ***How Movies Work***, will explore the intersection of reality and the transition to another world, which occurs when we are engrossed in a film.

Embassy Suites Paradise Valley, 4415 E. Paradise Village Parkway
Breakfast will be served / Open Seating
RSVP by Friday, January 3, 2020

Click [HERE](#) to make your reservation online!

Reservation questions? Email Arline Salbe arline.bncphx@gmail.com

For other questions, contact Judy Krockey at 480-816-1221

Programming Meeting

Our next Programming Committee meeting will be:

Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at 10:00 am

Natural Grocers

13802 N Scottsdale Rd, (just north of Thunderbird)



If you haven't attended a Programming Committee Meeting, now is your chance! It's a great opportunity to see old friends and make new ones. We have several exciting events planned for the 2020 season. Hope to see you soon!

Questions??? Please contact:

Bonnie Clewans beadorder@aol.com 602-509-4507 Judy Krockey bobjudyaz@aol.com 480-816-1221

Roz Fischer Concerts and Conversations



— A Subscription Series Event

Monday, January 13, 2020

1:00 - 2:30 pm

The program will take place from 1:00 - 2:30 pm on Monday, January 13, 2020 at Palo Cristi Church, located at 3535 E. Lincoln Drive, Paradise Valley 85253. Come early to enjoy the refreshments.

Contact Joan Sitver, joansitver@aol.com 602- 971-0012, for more details.

Price: Individual concerts: \$7 per concert, payable at the door.

Subscription Series price: \$25, payable at the door.



Viviana Cumplido, Flautist

Viviana Cumplido has served as Principal Flute of The Phoenix Symphony since 2006, and the Colorado Music Festival in Boulder since 2010. Prior to her appointment in Phoenix, Viviana served as principal flute of the Tucson Symphony for three seasons.

She has an active teaching and chamber music career and is a member of the Urban Nocturnes chamber group, as well as the IRIS Chamber Orchestra in Memphis, Tennessee. She has also performed with the Oregon Symphony, Britt Festival Orchestra, New World Symphony, National

Orchestral Institute, National Repertory Orchestra, and the American Institute of Musical Studies in Graz, Austria. As concerto soloist, Viviana has appeared with the orchestras of Phoenix, Tucson and the Colorado Music Festival. She has also been a guest artist for Jim Walker's Beyond The Flute Masterclass at the Colburn School in Los Angeles and competed in the 2006 Carl Nielsen International Flute Competition in Odense, Denmark and was the only American semi-finalist.

Viviana is proud of her track record of educational outreach, especially to underserved communities using music as a means to promote greater achievement in students as a Young Musician's Foundation mentor in Los Angeles and with the Opening Minds through the Arts program in Tucson. She is an active participant in several of The Phoenix Symphony's outreach programs, regularly performing at hospitals, dementia care facilities and homeless shelters.



Gail Novak, Pianist

Gail Novak, a resident of Mesa, Arizona, is in demand as a collaborative artist in the United States and abroad. Gail performs often at Arizona State University and in the Phoenix area with university faculty, students, and guest artists. She has served as an official accompanist for the International Clarinet Association ClarinetFest© in Tempe, Columbus, Ostend, Tokyo, Norman, North Ridge, Lincoln and the International Trumpet Guild, International Double Reed Conferences and the National Flute Conventions, the national trumpet competition in Fairfax, Virginia, as well as being the featured collaborator at the Oklahoma Clarinet Symposium for many years in Norman, Oklahoma.

She has played with David Shifrin, Jon Manasse, and Larry Combs among others. Gail can be heard on *Shamanic Journey* with Deanna Swoboda, *Raretés Romantiques* with Anne Watson, *Mythos* with Jana Starling, clarinet, *Child's Play* with Kelly Johnson, clarinet, *One More Dance* and *Inside Out* on Crystal both with Tom McCaslin, tuba, as well as *On Coming Traffic* with Robert Spring. She plays organ and piano at Apache Wells Community Church in Mesa and maintains a small piano studio of amazing children!

Study Group News

Study Groups are in full swing! By now, facilitators of each of the study groups have reached out to their group members with important information concerning their study group in particular and our chapter in general. If you have not yet been contacted by your facilitator(s), please email the Study Group VPs at phxstudygroups@gmail.com and indicate the group name.

Our facilitators are fabulous and the study group activities look to be interesting and informative. Many study groups are still available - see the list on the next page.

The Study Group Guide and Registration Form are available at:
<http://www.brandeisphoenix.org/study-groups.html>



Arizona Authors

Monday, January 20th - 12:30 - 2:00 pm
Scottsdale JCC

Our speaker for the January 20th meeting will be Fran Hawthorne.

Moving from California to New Jersey to New York, Fran Hawthorne has spent more than three decades writing award-winning nonfiction, including eight books, mainly about consumer activism and business social responsibility. Her book *Ethical Chic: The Inside Story of the Companies We Think We Love* was named one of the best books of 2012 by *Library Journal*. She also was a staff editor or regular contributor to *The New York Times*, *Business Week* and *Fortune*. Fran's first love since age four has always been fiction, and in 2018 her debut novel, *The Heirs*, was published. She is now at work on two new novels.

RSVPs a must to: Merrill Kalman
mskbflo@aol.com

Guests are welcome with a \$5 fee.



Men of Brandeis

Tuesday, January 7th, 10:00 am

The Men of Brandeis will tour the Phoenix Herpetological Sanctuary. The Sanctuary is located just south of Dynamite Road on North 78th St. in Scottsdale. It was founded in 2001.

There were plenty of organizations to rescue many species of animals, from dogs and cats to birds. However, there was no such facility or refuge for unwanted or rescued reptiles. Reptile owners had no outlet to relinquish ownership if needed, nor was there a resource to acquire accurate, reliable information on the care and husbandry of reptiles as pets. In addition, native and non-native species were being destroyed by state facilities and other animal rescue agencies, due solely to lack of knowledge regarding care and housing of these amazing creatures – native and exotic. In response, the Phoenix Herpetological Society (PHS) was launched.

Today PHS is a fully operational, 2½-acre rescue and rehabilitation center with an onsite reptile clinic and research center located in northern Scottsdale. A dedicated team of over 20 individuals volunteers regularly to maintain the sanctuary and care for the hundreds of reptiles housed at the facility. PHS works with state and federal wildlife officials and law enforcement to care for and house unwanted or seized reptiles from across the U.S.

For additional information contact facilitator:
Leith Baletin lbaletin@gmail.com
480-874-9434

**For more information about Study Groups,
 please contact the Study Group Vice Presidents
 Joellyn Pollock and Kathleen Witkin at phxstudygroups@gmail.com**

Study Group Update

Study Groups that are available to join.

[Click HERE](#) for the Study Group link on the website where you will find the group description in the **Study Guide** and a **Registration Form**.

<p>A Bisseleh Yiddishkeit A Community-Building Group for Couples Arizona Authors Speaker Series At the Ballet Bowlero Via Linda Lanes Bridging It! Camelview, Shea 14 - Review & Lunch Central Phx Readers CONCERTS & CONVERSATIONS <i>a Subscription Series Event</i> Contemporary Issues Discussion Group #1 Explore the World of Interior Design Intermediate Hiking Club Intermediate Mah Jongg Jewish Book Group</p>	<p>Just Desserts Knit A Mitzvah Leisure Hiking Men of Brandeis (MOB) Mitzvah Mavens Monday Mystery Ladies Neighborhood Haunts Play Golf Poets Laureate Raise Your Consciousness, Change Your Life Simply Scrabble Staying Relevant: Putting Your Life in Motion Sun Lakes Potpourri Theater & Lunch Series Writing Your Stories</p>
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Study Groups Out and About!

Our members enjoy the Quilt Show in Chandler. BNC member Georgia Heller selected the quilts that were displayed.

SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT FULL GROUPS:

Even a group that has reached its maximum participation (marked by an asterisk) may have openings from time to time. If you are interested in a particular group, contact the facilitator(s) to see if space is available. Look for the monthly calendar on pages 12 and 13 for group details, which include contact information for the facilitators. A \$5 guest fee will apply, \$7 for Concerts & Conversations - a Subscription Series Event.

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Even a group that has reached its maximum participation may have openings from time to time - if you are interested in a particular group, contact the facilitator(s) to see if space is available. Very often there is! Look in the monthly calendar pages below for group details, which include contact information for the facilitators. A \$5 guest fee will apply, \$7 for Concerts & Conversations.

JANUARY STUDY GROUP CALENDAR

GROUP	DATE	TIME	FACILITATORS
EXPLORE THE WORLD OF INTERIOR DESIGN	TBD	11:00	Sheila Landau builddor2@cox.net 602-809-5100
MITZVAH MAVENS	TBD	TBD	Ellen Kirschenbaum ellenk102@gmail.com 602-214-5212
PHOENICIANS OF BNC	TBD	4:00	Joellyn Pollock Joellyn_pollock@yahoo.com 602-257-4327
INTERMEDIATE HIKING CLUB	2 16	TBD	Nancy Siefer n.siefer@gmail.com 480-577-1439
LEISURE HIKING	2 16	TBD	Ellen Kirschenbaum ellenk102@gmail.com 602-214-5212
JEWISH BOOK GROUP	2	10:00	Ellen Tuckman 602-953-9307
SUN LAKES POTPOURRI	2	1:30	Lee Ross marclee333@aol.com 480-802-4828
FIRST FRIDAY FILMS & FEASTS *	3	TBD	Roni Nassberg ronika1@aol.com 602-790-7603
A BISSELEH YIDDISHKEIT	5	1:00	Abby Tucker & John Poremba skyranch52@gmail.com Abby's cell: 917-816-8261
A COMMUNITY-BUILDING GROUP FOR COUPLES	5	7:00 PM	Elliot Talenfeld ectalenfeld@aol.com 602-327-7550
BOWLERO VIA LINDA LANES	6	12:00	Barbara Janger barbarajanger@gmail.com 480-451-8901
MONDAY MYSTERY LADIES	6	12:00	Irene Mieszcanski miesirene@aol.com
THE 2020 PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION PROCESS AND ELECTION *	6 20	7:00 PM	Mark Stern mstern@shepherd.edu 540-664-0480
CURRENT EVENTS *	7	10:00	Gladys Simon gladsi26@hotmail.com 480-282-2047
ADVANCED CANASTA FOR FUN *	7 14 21 28	11:15	Anne Mondlick anne@mondlick.com 315-289-7499
INTERMEDIATE MAH JONGG	7 14 21 28	12:30	Ruth Guth rguth.drmom@yahoo.com 480-245-6589
FOREIGN FILM FOODIES *	8	TBD	Joyce Steinberg joyces12003@gmail.com 602-538-2561
MEN OF BRANDEIS (MOB)	8	TBD	Leith Baletin lbaletin@gmail.com 480-874-9434

Groups sometimes have room for guests! A \$5 guest fee applies, \$7 for Concerts & Conversations.

* These groups may have limited space. In all cases, please contact Facilitators for availability.

GROUP	DATE	TIME	FACILITATORS
KNIT A MITZVAH	8 22	1:00	Joan Davis davis6j@gmail.com 602-499-8357
RESTLESS MINDS DISCUSSION GROUP *	12	7:00 PM	Irene Kestenbaum irenek0426@gmail.com 480-734-7306
ROZ FISCHER CONCERTS AND CONVERSATIONS - A SUBSCRIPTION SERIES EVENT	13	1:00	Joan Sitver joansitver@aol.com 602-971-0012
YOGA *	14 21 28	8:30	Nancy Siefer n.siefer@gmail.com 480- 577-1439
CENTRAL PHOENIX READERS	14	10:00	Iris Wigal wiggley@cox.net 602-980-5436
SECOND TUESDAY AM BOOK GROUP	14	10:00	Marcia Langer marciala@msn.com 914-943-7804
SECOND TUESDAY LUNCH BUNCH *	14	TBD	Joyce Goldstein joyce@goldstein.us 973-715-6475
ARIZONA AUTHORS SPEAKER SERIES	20	12:30	Merrill Kalman mskbflo@aol.com 480-296-3355
STAYING RELEVANT: PUTTING YOUR LIFE IN MOTION	21	10:00	Arlene Rosenberg ar@arlenerosenberg.com 480-993-5322
ANCIENT PEOPLES OF CENTRAL AZ *	21	1:30	Fran Wasserstrom franwass7@gmail.com 614-571-3802
FOURTH WEDS LUNCH BUNCH *	22	11:30	Barbara Abrams bfabrams4109@gmail.com 312-965-4109
PLAY GOLF	22	TBD	Laurie Greenfield lauriecgreenfield@gmail.com 312-316-8800
JEWELS OF THE DESERT MINI-HIKING *	23	8:30	Maxine Sukenik tothemax999@aol.com 847-650-8621
CONTEMPORARY ISSUES #1	23	9:30	Laurie Steen laurie.kaplan.steen@gmail.com 602-692-8201
NEIGHBORHOOD HAUNTS	23	12:30	Sheila Landau buildor2@cox.net 602-809-5100
POETS LAUREATE	23	1:30	Freyda Libman poetprof329@gmail.com 630-926-3193
SIMPLY SCRABBLE	23	10:00	Marcia Langer marciala@msn.com 914-943-7804
B-PUZZLED: MYSTERY AND SUSPENSE *	27	12:00	Alyce Helfman ahelfman2002@yahoo.com 551-427-8365
RAISE YOUR CONSCIOUSNESS, CHANGE YOUR LIFE	28	10:00	Carol Wolf peanuts526@aol.com 847-207-9954

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MEMBERSHIP CONTACTS

To report life-cycle events, please contact
 Susan Sacks at 480-860-5256 or susan.sacks@gmail.com
 To learn about becoming a member, please contact
 Leith Baletin at lbaletin@gmail.com 480-874-9434

Membership News

- Congratulations to Roni & David Nassberg on the birth of their great-granddaughter, Arizona Rose, daughter of Jayme & Keith Quaranto.
- Best wishes to Joyce Goldstein for a speedy recovery.
- Our sincere condolences to the family of Rosalie Disner on her passing.
- Our sincere condolences to Risa Mallin and her family on the passing of her husband, Bruce.
- Our sincere condolences to Evelyn Zeitzer on the passing of her brother, Leonard Girsh.



Welcome New and Returning Members



Jayne Behman, Peter Behman, Allan Friedman, Barbara Friedman, Dennis Galinsky,
 Daryl Greenberg, Lana Horowitz, Thelma Krause, Phyllis Palm, Charles Stern, Charlotte Rubin, Michael Wolf



New & Prospective Member Coffee

Friday, January 31, 2020
 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Biltmore location.
For more information, contact
carolkadet@gmail.com or 480-718-9141.



MEMBERSHIP VICE PRESIDENTS		
Leith Baletin	lbaletin@gmail.com	480-874-9434
Carol Kadet	carolkadet@gmail.com	415-828-1299

Membership Brunch!

Membership Committee meets for their end of year meeting and holiday brunch at the home of Co-VP of Membership, Carol Kadet.

Photo by Gale Gradus



Community Outreach

Just 3 Things

We are still collecting non-perishable food items for the **Just 3 Things** initiative. They can be brought to a board meeting or give Wendy 602-316-2993 or Ellen 602-214-5212 a call or text to receive them.

New

We are collecting gently used plush animals (like Beanie Babies - 6") for K-3 students in Scottsdale Title 1 Schools. The children choose their animal and complete the required hours (or number of books) read to them at home. Then they get to adopt their animal, complete with adoption papers. They can be brought to a board meeting or call or text Wendy to set up a time to receive them.

We're still collecting bras for recycling. They can be brought to a board meeting or call or text Wendy to set up a time to receive them.

Mitzvah Mavens are collecting toiletry bags for female personal hygiene items. Contact Ellen for details.

Thanks for your continued support for our chapter's community endeavors!

Wendy and Ellen



Knit A Mitzvah

**Do you Knit?
Do you Crochet?
Help us make Scarves,
Newborn Baby Caps and
Lap Blankets**

This season, we continue to make and donate scarves to Jewish Family and Children's Services, Newborn Baby Caps and Lap Blankets to Honor Health Scottsdale Medical Center and Chemo Caps to the Virginia Piper Cancer Center.

If you are experienced or just a novice and want to participate in this effort, please contact:

For more information, please contact:

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Chapter Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 15, 2020 at 10:00 am
Temple Chai
4645 E. Marilyn Rd, Phoenix

Did you know that all Chapter Board meetings are open to our members? You are welcome to join us on the third Wednesday of every month (except July and August). If you are interested in attending, email either of our chapter presidents to let them know you are coming and for driving directions.

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“Come to the **CABARET**”



Event co-chairs Jo Ellen Susman and Ruth Lerner





SAVE THE DATE

UNIVERSITY ON WHEELS

Friday, January 10, 2020
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

NEW & PROSPECTIVE MEMBER COFFEE

Friday, January 31, 2020
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**BOOK & AUTHOR 30th ANNIVERSARY
BOOKMARK DONOR COCKTAIL RECEPTION**

Thursday, February 20, 2020

**BOOK & AUTHOR
30th ANNIVERSARY EVENT**

Friday, February 21, 2020
The Westin Kierland Resort and Spa

ANNUAL MEETING

Wednesday, March 18, 2020
10:30 a.m., Temple Chai

**SPRINGTIME IN PARIS
LUNCHEON AND INSTALLATION**

TBD



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HONORING OUR HISTORY - Unique collections of Jewish, immigrant, and feminist narratives are housed in the Brandeis Library. This campaign will provide global electronic access to these materials, ensuring that researchers and students will continue learning from these significant historical perspectives.

LIBRARY FUND - Libraries are the heart of a great university, the lifeline of teaching, learning and research. Make an impact on one of America's leading research universities.

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Bonnie Clewans	Lori Roth	Son Ari's engagement
Bonnie Clewans & Sam Summer	Carol & Chuck Abrams	Mazel Tov on Caryn becoming a Rabbi
Jan & Mike Lebovitz	Marcia Langer	Special birthday
" "	Pinki & Issy Lifshitz	50th wedding anniversary
" "	Barbara Stern	Special birthday
Linda & Gary Perlman	Sara & Jay Leopold	Birth of granddaughter, Ruby
Amy Richman	Joyce & Neil Goldstein	Birth of grandson, Avi
Truda Chick	Bonnie Clewans	Speedy recovery
Helen & Michael Greenberg	" "	"
Judy Krockey	" "	"
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Truda Chick	Andrew Tievsky	In memory of Sharon Tievsky
Contemporary Reads Book Group	Tievsky Family	"
Michelle Fischler	Stephanie Klopper	In memory of father, Dewey Rudolph
Helen & Michael Greenberg	" "	"
" "	Andrew Tievsky	In memory of Sharon Tievsky
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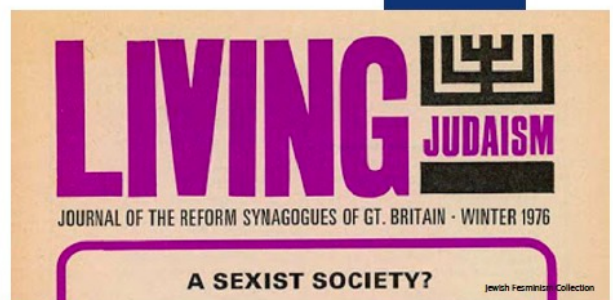
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*Transforming Unique Collections
Highlighting Social Justice*

In light of increasing anti-Semitism, restrictions on immigration, and institutionalized sexism, the unique collections at the Brandeis Library that speak to such topics are more important than ever.

The Brandeis National Committee is proud to announce its new campaign to support the Library's electronic access to these materials. Digitization will help preserve the originals while inviting new forms of digital scholarship and ensuring global and continuous access to our valuable, one-of-a-kind research collections.

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