



**BNC Phoenix Presents**  
*Spring Cocktail Party 2019*  
*Good-bye, Hello,*  
*Let's Celebrate!*



Thursday,  
April 11, 2019  
4:30 pm

Starfire Golf Club  
11500 N Hayden Rd.  
Scottsdale, AZ 85260

4:30 pm - 6:00 pm  
Hors d'Oeuvres on  
the patio with a cash  
bar

6:00 - 7:30 pm  
Installation of  
Officers and Board  
followed  
by Entertainment

**An Evening with Chuck Field and Friends**

**Installation of the 2019 – 2020  
Chapter Officers and Board**

As we toast our outgoing Board Members and welcome our incoming Officers and Board of Directors, we celebrate another successful season and enjoy the comedy of Chuck Field, Ventriloquist.

The unique nature of the Brandeis Phoenix Chapter is that we offer something for everyone. Chuck Field will introduce us to his "Friends" as we enjoy a delightful evening of Hors d'Oeuvres, Cocktails and laughter for dessert.

Chuck is a Chicago native who will bring his brand of Comedy Ventriloquism and audience participation to the Spring Cocktail Party. Don't miss this fun evening at the newly renovated Starfire Golf Club.



For the Reservation Form, [Click HERE](#).



## Co-Presidents' Message

Dear Fellow Brandeis Members,

Somehow we did it! Somehow we almost managed to squeeze into the 28 days of February all our exciting Chapter events.

We say "almost," because our Book & Author Luncheon spilled over to March 1<sup>st</sup>.

February was indeed an exciting month. Study groups were going at top speed. Concerts & Conversations had their last performance of the season. Thank you to Joan Sitver and the C&C committee for another wonderful season. Our Open Board Meeting, featuring Jacquée Petchel, Professor of Practice at the ASU Cronkite School of Journalism, who spoke about the process and ethics of investigative journalism, was informative and interesting. Thank you to Bonnie Clewans and Judy Krockey, our VP's of Programming and the Programming Committee, for an exceptional event which included the most delicious baked goods. And then there was the cherry on the pie, our major event, our 29<sup>th</sup> Book & Author Luncheon.

It started on the night before with a fantastic donor Cocktail reception at the Optima Kierland in the contemporary first floor indoor/outdoor event space, courtesy of Tricia and Andy Beran. Thank you to our Bookmark donors and to Janis Lipman and Susan Rollins, our Bookmark Co-Chairs, for an outstanding reception.

Then it was March 1<sup>st</sup> and the big event arrived. What can you say when everything was perfect, except thank you.

- Thank you to our B & A Event co-Chairs Michelle Fischler, Barbara Stern and Sharon Tievsky - you are all amazing.
- Thank you to Beth Messer and Joyce Grant for choosing the perfect Authors for our event.
- Thank you to Carol Kern, the Magnify the Mind Chair, who so eloquently spoke about why we are raising money to purchase a two-photon resonance microscope for Brandeis University.
- Thank you to Brina Pepper for the exciting array of boutiques.
- Thank you to all our wonderful B&A committee chairs and volunteers - without you this event would not have happened.


We can honestly say "We love our Chapter!"

Judy Levine & Marcia Langer  
BNC Phoenix Chapter Co-Presidents

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 [Click HERE](#) for more photos from the fabulous B & A Event!

# Book & Author Update

We hope you had a wonderful day on March 1<sup>st</sup>. We want to thank everyone who attended the luncheon. We thank our Bookmark donors who attended the February 28<sup>th</sup> cocktail party/dinner. Thank you to the authors and our moderator who made the day so successful. And of course, thanks to the vendors for bringing their shopping opportunities. A special thanks to Pinki Lipshitz for hosting the first Table Captains coffee and to Tricia and Andy Beran for donating the event space at the Optima Kierland where the cocktail party was held.

Please take the time to read our thanks to the Bookmark Donors, Table Captains and Volunteers who are listed below. It truly takes a village to make an event this size.

We hope to see everyone next year when Book & Author turns 30!



The 29<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Book & Author Events...  
Illuminating The Mind

Michelle Fischler, Barbara Stern, Sharon Tievsky, Event Chairs

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**Thank you for letting us know how much  
you enjoyed our wonderful event!**

From Matthew Quirk:

*Thank you, ..., for putting together such an amazing event. It was a pleasure to meet you and that lovely community of readers you've gathered in Phoenix, and to get to know the other authors. I can't imagine all the work that went into putting together such a seamless event. I was so impressed, and honored to be a part of the day and the great cause.*

From Ann Hood:

*Thank you for such a lovely [and memorable] couple of days. What terrific people! Ann was awestruck when she saw the size of the crowd.*

From moderator Lindsey Reiser:

*I had a wonderful time and was dazzled by both the authors and the fabulous readers in attendance!*

Tim Johnston wrote ..., we authors are *STILL* raving about the Brandeis event. It really was just wonderful, & I'm so happy I got to participate.

Matti Friedman wrote *Thanks so much for having me! The Brandeis event was wonderful, and I had a blast. I hope our paths cross again...*

# Bookmark



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**A special thanks to all our Bookmark Donors.  
This list is current as of the date of printing.**





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# 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Book & Author Committee Volunteers



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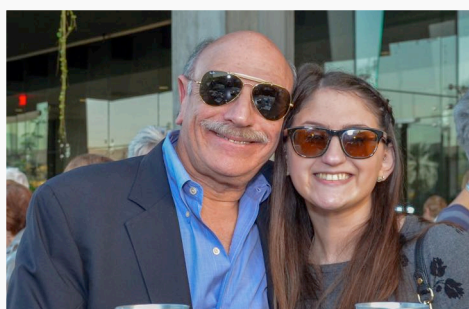


# 29th Annual Book & Author Cocktail Party





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# 29th Annual Book & Author Event



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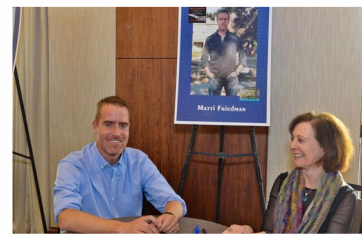




# 29th Annual Book & Author Event



Judy Levine, Co-President





**HURRY - Limited Seating!  
Sign Up NOW!**

## **Spring 2019 Volunteers Outreach! Thank You & Welcome Event**



We are thanking all the wonderful BNC Phoenix volunteers from  
September 2018 - March 2019.

We are welcoming new as well as continuing volunteers  
to support 2019 - 2020 Chapter Events!

Come join us for a nosh, friendship and an educational and motivational program!

**When: APRIL 5<sup>th</sup>      Time: 9:00 am - 10:45 am**

**Where: Temple Chai, 4645 E. Marilyn Road, Phoenix, AZ 85032**

**Guest Speaker: Lorie's topic will be "Live, Learn and Pass it On!"**

Motivational speaker Lorie Kleiner Eckert has addressed a wide range of audiences from PTAs to Procter & Gamble. Lorie is an award-winning syndicated columnist in Jewish newspapers across the United States. Her fourth book is soon to be released and she can be found on Etsy, Facebook, Twitter and Linked In.



RSVP by March 30<sup>th</sup> to Ruth Lerner at

[ruth.bncphx@gmail.com](mailto:ruth.bncphx@gmail.com)

If you have any questions, please contact

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or Terriann Kleiner: [tkleiner@gmail.com](mailto:tkleiner@gmail.com)

We look forward to sharing a wonderful morning and personally thanking you for all you do for our chapter by sharing your time and talents now and in the future!

**Please contact the Volunteer Outreach Co-Chairs with any questions:**

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## Study Group News ~ Looking Ahead

2018 - 2019 has been the most successful Study Group season in our Chapter's history, and it's not over yet. The chapter continues to attract new members and a major part of that attraction is the availability of many and varied study groups in which to participate.

To continue this success, we need your help. As we begin to think of next season (yes, your Study Group Team is already looking ahead to next year) we are looking for facilitators with ideas for new groups. Ask yourself the following questions:

- ◆ Do you have an idea for a study group that you want to facilitate? (Note: we especially welcome input from our Men of Brandeis members.)
- ◆ Are you interested in starting a group (hiking? film? lunch?) that meets on Sunday?
- ◆ Would you enjoy leading a limited group discussion (4 sessions) on a favorite topic or activity?
- ◆ Do you have a special interest, talent or skill that you want to share with others?
- ◆ Are you a winter resident who wants to create a group (i.e. weekly Mah-Jongg or Canasta) that begins in January?

If you enjoy meeting new people, enjoy sharing your experiences with others, have special talents or interests that others would enjoy.....

### You Can Facilitate a Study Group!

(Training will be provided)

If you answered 'yes' to any of the questions above, you already have all you need to be a wonderful Study Group Facilitator. Identify an activity, the day, dates and times you'd like to meet (we can help you with scheduling) and start a study group in the 2019-2020 season! Find a friend to co-facilitate the group with you.

The rewards are many: interact with like-minded people in an activity that you already enjoy, see your efforts appreciated by your group participants and the entire Chapter, make new friends and most of all - HAVE FUN!

The time commitment is modest and in return, the approval, acclaim and admiration you receive is beyond measure.

For more information and to share your proposed study group's details, please contact the Study Group VPs at [phxstudygroups@gmail.com](mailto:phxstudygroups@gmail.com)

<http://www.brandeisphoenix.com/StudyGroups.html>

**Study Group Vice Presidents: Joellyn Pollock and Kathleen Witkin**  
[phxstudygroups@gmail.com](mailto:phxstudygroups@gmail.com)



## Study Group Updates

### AZ AUTHORS

**March 18, 2019**

**12:30 - 2:30 pm**

**Scottsdale JCC**

The speaker for our March meeting will be Sheila Grinell. Sheila Grinell came to Phoenix in 1993 to build the Arizona Science Center. Toward the end of her forty-year career as a creator of science museums, Sheila Grinell turned to fiction. Her debut novel, *Appetite*, was published in 2016, and a second novel, *The Contract*, will be released in September 2019. Born in a taxi in Manhattan, she studied at The Bronx High School of Science, Harvard University, and the University of California at Berkeley. She lives in Phoenix with her husband and dog.



#### RSVPs a must to:

Merrill Kalman [mskbflo@aol.com](mailto:mskbflo@aol.com)

Guests are welcome with a \$5 fee.



### MEN OF BRANDEIS (MOB)

**April 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm**

Chelsea Jones, of SRP's Research Archives & Amp; Heritage department, will give a presentation on the history of water and power in the Salt River Valley. This presentation will cover a brief history of early irrigation efforts in the Valley along with an overview of the founding of the Salt River Project. She will also discuss major developments over the last century that have prepared the Valley for significant growth and success.

Chelsea Jones is a Historical Analyst with SRP's Research Archives. Born and raised in Mesa, she received her BA in Cultural Anthropology from BYU and her MA in Museum Studies from ASU. Chelsea is responsible for caring for and managing SRP's physical and digital heritage collections that record the history and culture of the Salt River Project. This presentation will be at Scottsdale JCC on Scottsdale Road.

As usual, the MOB will gather at Milk and Honey, the restaurant inside the J, at noon for a nosh.

If you have any questions, please contact Leith Baletin at [lbaletin@gmail.com](mailto:lbaletin@gmail.com) 480-874-9434

## Brandeis Happenings

### *Why do certain foods smell good to us?*

Your mouth helps you smell tasty foods. New research by senses expert Don Katz shows that what happens in our mouths while we eat causes us to like the smells of certain foods. It turns out that we don't inhale the scent of food and decide we like its smell. First, we have to eat it.

Katz's research appeared in the January 7 edition of the journal *Current Biology*.

By Lawrence Goodman

February 12, 2019

<http://www.brandeis.edu/now/2019/february/smell-senses-katz.html>

**\*SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT FULL GROUPS (denoted by an asterisk):**

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.

GROUP	DATE MARCH	MEETING TIME	FACILITATORS
HOLIDAY PREP *	TBD	TBD	Terry Taubman <a href="mailto:terrytaubman@gmail.com">terrytaubman@gmail.com</a> 602-319-8351
ARIZONA AUTHORS SPEAKER SERIES	18	12:30	Merrill Kalman <a href="mailto:mskbflo@aol.com">mskbflo@aol.com</a> 480-296-3355
THE PRESIDENCY AND PRESIDENTS	18	7:00 pm	Mark Stern <a href="mailto:mstern@shepherd.edu">mstern@shepherd.edu</a> 540-664-0480
INTERMEDIATE MAH JONGG	19 26	12:30	Felice Goff <a href="mailto:lcswaz@hotmail.com">lcswaz@hotmail.com</a> 602-315-4248
BRIDGING IT!	19	11:30	Nan Waldman <a href="mailto:nanlarry46@gmail.com">nanlarry46@gmail.com</a> 602- 410-5639
SERIOUSLY CANASTA *	19 26	11:45	Nancy Lirtzman <a href="mailto:nlirtzman@gmail.com">nlirtzman@gmail.com</a> 847-217-6963
CAMELVIEW, SHEA 14 - REVIEW AND LUNCH	19	Varies	Sheila Landau <a href="mailto:buildor2@cox.net">buildor2@cox.net</a> 602-809-5100
SAY IT, SEE IT, BE IT: CHANGE FROM WITHIN	19	10:00	Arlene Rosenberg <a href="mailto:ar@arlenerosenberg.com">ar@arlenerosenberg.com</a> 480-993-5322
LET'S DO TEA!	20	TBD	Sandi Oppenheim <a href="mailto:tealadyaz@cox.net">tealadyaz@cox.net</a> 602-881-8107
NEIGHBORHOOD WALKS *	20	2:00	Marcy Strauss <a href="mailto:mss29@comcast.net">mss29@comcast.net</a> 612-710-6291
ADVANCED INTERMEDIATE MAH JONGG *	21 28	12:00	Beth Sennett <a href="mailto:basennett@gmail.com">basennett@gmail.com</a> 414-418-4203
INTERMEDIATE HIKING CLUB	21	7:30 ~ 8:00	Nancy Siefer <a href="mailto:n.siefer@gmail.com">n.siefer@gmail.com</a> 480-577-1439
LEISURE HIKING	21	8:30	Ellen Kirschenbaum <a href="mailto:ellenk102@gmail.com">ellenk102@gmail.com</a> 602-214-5212
THE WORLD OF INTERIOR DESIGN	22	11:00	Sheila Landau <a href="mailto:buildor2@cox.net">buildor2@cox.net</a> 602-809-5100
MOVIE TALK AT MIMI'S! *	24	1:00	Abby Tucker & John Poremba <a href="mailto:sky ranch52@gmail.com">sky ranch52@gmail.com</a> Abby's cell: 917-816-8261
B-PUZZLED: MYSTERY & SUSPENSE *	25	12:00	Alyce Helfman <a href="mailto:ahelfman2002@yahoo.com">ahelfman2002@yahoo.com</a> 551-427-8365
ETHNIC DINING *	26	11:30	Ellen Kirschenbaum <a href="mailto:ellenk102@gmail.com">ellenk102@gmail.com</a> 602-214-5212
LET'S GET METAPHYSICAL! – NEW AGE NON-FICTION	26	11:00	Carol Wolf <a href="mailto:peanuts526@aol.com">peanuts526@aol.com</a> 847-207-9954
FOURTH WEDS LUNCH BUNCH *	27	11:30	Marcy Strauss <a href="mailto:mss29@comcast.net">mss29@comcast.net</a> 612-710-6291
PLAY GOLF OCT - APRIL	27	1:00	Laurie Greenfield <a href="mailto:lauriecgreenfield@gmail.com">lauriecgreenfield@gmail.com</a> 312-316-8800
KNIT A MITZVAH	27	1:00	Ronee Siegel <a href="mailto:ronees@aol.com">ronees@aol.com</a> 917-273-0393
CONTEMPORARY ISSUES	28	9:30	Ruth Anne Myers <a href="mailto:ramyers@aol.com">ramyers@aol.com</a> 480-947-8216
JEWELS OF THE DESERT MINI-HIKING *	28	8:30	Myral Robbins <a href="mailto:myralrobbinsdo@aol.com">myralrobbinsdo@aol.com</a> 248-514-9895
NEIGHBORHOOD HAUNTS	28	12:30	Sheila Landau <a href="mailto:buildor2@cox.net">buildor2@cox.net</a> 602-809-5100
SIMPLY SCRABBLE	28	10:00	Marcia Langer <a href="mailto:marciala@msn.com">marciala@msn.com</a> 914-943-7804
WOMEN POETS	28	1:30	Freyda Libman <a href="mailto:poetprof329@gmail.com">poetprof329@gmail.com</a> 630-926-3193

Groups sometimes have room for guests! A \$5 guest fee applies.

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

GROUP	DATE APRIL	MEETING TIME	FACILITATORS
LET'S DO TEA!	TBD	TBD	Sandi Oppenheim <a href="mailto:tealadyaz@cox.net">tealadyaz@cox.net</a> 602-881-8107
BOWLING FOR FUN	1	12:00	Barbara Janger <a href="mailto:barbarajanger@gmail.com">barbarajanger@gmail.com</a> 480-451-8901
MONDAY MYSTERY LADIES *	1	12:00	Irene Mieszcanski <a href="mailto:miesirene@aol.com">miesirene@aol.com</a>
THE PRESIDENCY AND PRESIDENTS	1 15	7:00 pm	Mark Stern <a href="mailto:mstern@shepherd.edu">mstern@shepherd.edu</a> 540-664-0480
CURRENT EVENTS	2	10:30	Gladys Simon <a href="mailto:gladsi26@hotmail.com">gladsi26@hotmail.com</a> 480-282-2047
FIRST TUESDAY BOOK GROUP (PM) *	2	1:30	Judy Levine <a href="mailto:judithlevine43@yahoo.com">judithlevine43@yahoo.com</a> 480- 496-0252
INTERMEDIATE MAH JONGG	2 9 16 23 30	12:30	Felice Goff <a href="mailto:lcsواز@hotmail.com">lcsواز@hotmail.com</a> 602-315-4248
SERIOUSLY CANASTA *	2 9 16 23 30	11:45	Nancy Lirtzman <a href="mailto:nlirtzman@gmail.com">nlirtzman@gmail.com</a> 847-217-6963
DON'T WORRY, BE HAPPY HOUR	3	5:00 pm	Cheryl Lennon <a href="mailto:clennon60@gmail.com">clennon60@gmail.com</a> 602-999-8858
JUST DESSERTS	3	2:00	Gail Tenn <a href="mailto:gdtenn@hotmail.com">gdtenn@hotmail.com</a> 480-513-8462
ADVANCED INTERMEDIATE MAH JONGG *	4 11 18 25	12:00	Beth Sennett <a href="mailto:basennett@gmail.com">basennett@gmail.com</a> 414-418-4203
INTERMEDIATE HIKING CLUB	4 18	7:30 ~ 8:00	Nancy Siefer <a href="mailto:n.siefer@gmail.com">n.siefer@gmail.com</a> (480) 577-1439
JEWISH BOOK GROUP *	4	10:00	Ellen Tuckman 602-953-9307
LEISURE HIKING	4 18	8:30	Ellen Kirschenbaum <a href="mailto:ellenk102@gmail.com">ellenk102@gmail.com</a> 602-214-5212
SUN LAKES POTPOURRI	4	1:30	Lee Ross <a href="mailto:marclee333@aol.com">marclee333@aol.com</a> 480 802-4828
FIRST FRIDAY FILMS & FEASTS	5	10:00	Joyce Grant <a href="mailto:jhgrant35@gmail.com">jhgrant35@gmail.com</a> 847-877-5793
RESTLESS MINDS DISCUSSION GROUP *	7	7:00 pm	Irene Kestenbaum <a href="mailto:irenek0426@gmail.com">irenek0426@gmail.com</a> 480-734-7306
CENTRAL PHX READERS	9	10:00	Iris Wigal <a href="mailto:wiggley@cox.net">wiggley@cox.net</a> 602-980-5436
HOLIDAY PREP *	9		Terry Taubman <a href="mailto:terrytaubman@gmail.com">terrytaubman@gmail.com</a> 602-319-8351
SECOND TUESDAY BOOK GROUP	9	10:00	Marcia Langer <a href="mailto:marciala@msn.com">marciala@msn.com</a> 914-943-7804
SECOND TUESDAY LUNCH BUNCH *	9	12:00	Joyce Goldstein <a href="mailto:joyce@goldstein.us">joyce@goldstein.us</a> 973-715-6475
KNIT A MITZVAH	10 24	1:00	Ronee Siegel <a href="mailto:ronees@aol.com">ronees@aol.com</a> 917-273-0393
MEN OF BRANDEIS (MOB)	10	1:00	Leith Baletin <a href="mailto:lbaletin@gmail.com">lbaletin@gmail.com</a> 480-874-9434
BOOK BROTHERS *	11	10:00	Joe Widoff <a href="mailto:jwidoff@gmail.com">jwidoff@gmail.com</a> 703-946-8869
MOVIE TALK AT MIMI'S! *	14	1:00	Abby Tucker & John Poremba <a href="mailto:skyranch52@gmail.com">skyranch52@gmail.com</a> Abby's cell: 917-816-8261
SUNDAY AFTERNOON AT THE MOVIES *	14	TBD	Marcy Strauss <a href="mailto:mss29@comcast.net">mss29@comcast.net</a> 612-710-6291
ARIZONA AUTHORS SPEAKER SERIES	15	12:30	Merrill Kalman <a href="mailto:mskbflo@aol.com">mskbflo@aol.com</a> 480-296-3355
BRIDGING IT!	16	11:30	Nan Waldman <a href="mailto:nanlarry46@gmail.com">nanlarry46@gmail.com</a> 602- 410-5639
CAMELVIEW, SHEA 14 - REVIEW AND LUNCH	16	TBD	Sheila Landau <a href="mailto:buildor2@cox.net">buildor2@cox.net</a> 602-809-5100

# March/April



## MEMBERSHIP CONTACTS

To report life-cycle events please contact

Susan Sacks at 480-860-5256 or [susan.sacks@gmail.com](mailto:susan.sacks@gmail.com)

To learn about becoming a member, please contact

Leith Baletin at [lbaletin@gmail.com](mailto:lbaletin@gmail.com) 480-874-9434

## Membership News

- Congratulations to Shirley and Brian Brener on the birth of their grandson, Vance Barrett Davich. Proud parents are Julie and Eric Davich.
- Congratulations to Nancy Elkins Davis on her marriage to Derek Davis on February 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Congratulations to Irene Lubin on the birth of her *great* granddaughter, Madeleine Sundell Fischer. Proud parents are Lauren and Brian Fischer.
- Congratulations to Paula and Chet Ross on the marriage of their daughter, Taralynn Ross, to Bruce Thomason.
- Congratulations to Terry and Lon Taubman on the birth of their granddaughter, Abigail Zoe Reuben. Proud parents are Renee Neier and Jacob Reuben.
- We wish Leith Baletin a speedy recovery.
- Our sincere condolences to the family of Marlene Chareton.
- Our sincere condolences to Perky Linder and her family on the passing of her husband, Bud.
- Our sincere condolences to the family of Donna Wasserstrom.

## MEMBERSHIP VICE PRESIDENTS

Leith Baletin	<a href="mailto:lbaletin@gmail.com">lbaletin@gmail.com</a>	.....	480-874-9434
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**Click [HERE](#) to display and print a Membership Form.**



# summer



## A WINTER NOTE ABOUT SUMMER CAMP:

We had a great Summer Camp last year with wonderful leaders organizing a variety of activities. We hope that many of last year's leaders will want to return again this year for either the same activity or something new. In addition, we are looking for new leaders and new ideas. It is a wonderful opportunity to do something you love, meet new people and make new friends in the process.

Please contact Carol Isacson at [cwisacson@yahoo.com](mailto:cwisacson@yahoo.com) if you would like to coordinate an activity or with suggestions of activities you would like to see us pursue.

**The fun doesn't stop for the summer!**

**Summer Camp Co-Chairs Carol Isacson and Alisa Schwartzer**

**[cwisacson@yahoo.com](mailto:cwisacson@yahoo.com)**



# SPECIAL EVENTS

## MAH JONGG TOURNAMENT AND LUNCH

Saturday, March 23, 2019

McDowell Center at McDowell Mt Ranch

To RSVP [Click HERE](#)

## OUTREACH VOLUNTEER THANK YOU

Friday, April 5, 2019

## SPRING EVENT INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Thursday, April 11, 2019



## RECENT MOVE? NEW PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL ADDRESS?

Please contact our Membership Database Manager Ms. Bruce Galin with your changes to make sure we don't lose touch.

[bruce.phxbnc@gmail.com](mailto:bruce.phxbnc@gmail.com)

## We Value Your Privacy



All members' contact information shared for the use of Brandeis business shall remain confidential and not be shared with other organizations.

## Friendly Reminder - Chapter Policy:

Please remember that any information discussed at a Brandeis National Committee event, planning meeting, and/or board meeting is to be used for **Brandeis purposes alone** and is **not to be shared** with friends, relatives or members of other local organizations. Funds raised at or by Brandeis National Committee Phoenix Chapter events are for the sole purpose of supporting BNC. Therefore, collections and solicitations for the benefit of other organizations at Brandeis events, including study groups, is inappropriate. All directories, phone numbers, addresses and emails shared for the use of Brandeis business shall remain for Brandeis business use only and not shared with other organizations.

## Mission Statement

Brandeis National Committee is dedicated to providing philanthropic support to Brandeis University, a distinguished liberal arts and research university founded by the American Jewish community. Its membership is connected to the University through fundraising and through activities that reflect the values on which the University was founded: academic excellence, social justice, nonsectarianism and service to the community.



All 2018-19 Chapter events are designated to support BNC's **Magnify the Mind** campaign.

# Community Outreach



## Carol B's Children's Book Collection

We continue to collect new and gently used children's books for local elementary schools.

For more information, please contact  
Ellen Kirschenbaum [ellenk102@gmail.com](mailto:ellenk102@gmail.com)

## Just 3 Things

Jewish Family and Children's Services  
(JFCS)

*Real World Job Development  
and Youth*

*In Transition* programs.

We will collect food items at our  
Board meetings and several  
Chapter Events

Help JFCS stock the

**Just 3 Things** food  
pantry by donating non-perishable  
food items to provide needy youth  
with food as they transition from foster  
care to independence.

Please visit the website for recommended  
items. <http://www.jfcsaz.org/>

Contact Ellen Kirschenbaum  
[ellenk102@gmail.com](mailto:ellenk102@gmail.com)



## Knit A Mitzvah

**Do you Knit?**

**Do you Crochet?**

**Help us make Scarves,  
Newborn Baby Caps and  
Lap Blankets**



The Knit A Mitzvah Study Group  
continues its Community Outreach! The group members  
knit or crochet scarves that are donated to Jewish Family  
and Children's Services and newborn baby caps and lap  
blankets that are donated to HonorHeath/Scottsdale Shea  
Medical Center. You do not have to be a member of the  
Knit A Mitzvah Study Group to participate.

For more information,  
please contact:

Ronee Siegel

[ronees@aol.com](mailto:ronees@aol.com)

917-273-0393

For more information, contact the Community Outreach Vice Presidents:  
Wendy Cohen [wencohen@cox.net](mailto:wencohen@cox.net) Ellen Kirschenbaum [ellenk102@gmail.com](mailto:ellenk102@gmail.com)

## BOARD MEETING



**Wednesday, March 20 - 10:30 am**  
**Congregation Beth Israel**  
**56th St and Shea, Library**

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) at 10:30 am. If you are interested in attending, email either of our chapter presidents to let them know you are coming and for driving directions.

Marcia Langer [marciala@msn.com](mailto:marciala@msn.com)

Judy Levine [judithlevine43@yahoo.com](mailto:judithlevine43@yahoo.com)



For a full list of the  
Phoenix Chapter Board  
members, [click HERE](#).

Michelle Fischler,  
Executive Vice President  
[michellyules@gmail.com](mailto:michellyules@gmail.com)



## Programming Committee Meeting

**Wednesday, March 27 - 10:00 am**  
**Congregation Beth Israel Library**  
**(56<sup>th</sup> Street and Shea Blvd)**

We need your input in planning  
our upcoming events.  
Looking forward to seeing you!

Any questions, please contact  
Co-Vice Presidents

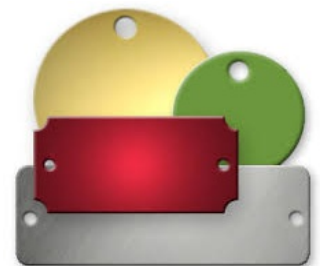
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## Name Tags

Would you prefer not to wear the stick-on name tags used at Brandeis functions? Brandeis has solved the problem. We are offering personalized, magnetic Brandeis name tags for \$13.00, including shipping. You can get your name tag by filling out the order form and mailing it to the listed address.

[Click HERE](#) for order form.





# Book Fund

For all your Book Fund needs, contact: Sue Lawler  
602-525-0231 [suelawler9@gmail.com](mailto:suelawler9@gmail.com)\*

\*Until April 5, contact Henriette Hasley 602-494-1924  
[henriette.hasley@cox.net](mailto:henriette.hasley@cox.net)

We accept credit card donations; Visa or MasterCard only.  
For a donation form and additional information, [Click HERE](#)

Donor	Recipient	Occasion
<b>GENERAL BOOK FUND</b>		
Ellen & Bob Kirschenbaum	Carol & Chuck Abrams	Bat Mitzvahs of granddaughters Sasha and Ruby
"	Cindy & Harvey Faber	Forthcoming Bat Mitzvah of granddaughter Heather
"	Eileen & Hilary Nelson	50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary
Nancy Sacks-Goldberg	Laurie & Dennis Checkoway	Birth of granddaughter Zoey Allison
"	Toni & Art Leonard	Congrats on the commission of their son Andrew to Colonel
Jo Ellen Susman & Marty Goodman	Nancy & Derek Davis	Congratulation on your marriage
Bonnie Clewans	Judy & Warren Levine	Speedy recovery to Warren
"	Lori Roth	Speedy recovery
Ellen & Bob Kirschenbaum	Leith Baletin	Speedy recovery
Nancy Sacks-Goldberg	Allen Galin	Speedy recovery
"	Judy & Warren Levine	Speedy recovery to Warren
"	Joellyn & Jerry Pollock	Best wishes to Jerry
"	Lori Roth	Speedy recovery
"	Roberta Scharf	Speedy recovery
"	Harriet Schwartz	Speedy and full recovery for granddaughter Talia
Sunshine Fund	Leith Baletin	Speedy recovery
"	Judy & Warren Levine	Speedy recovery to Warren
"	Amanda Schlosser	Speedy recovery
Iris Wigal	Judy & Warren Levine	Speedy recovery to Warren
"	Joellyn & Jerry Pollock	Speedy recovery to Jerry
Jan & Michael Lebovitz	Mr. & Mrs. Lazarus	In memory of Edith Lazarus
Nancy Sacks-Goldberg	Paula Fagel	Loss of mother, Lillian Norris
<b>LOUIS BRANDEIS FUND</b>		
Nancy Elkins Davis	Lori Roth	Speedy recovery
Nancy Elkins Davis	Meg & Steve Circurel	In memory of Norman Stern
<b>LEARNED RESEARCH JOURNAL</b>		
Sunshine Fund	Jacquee Petchel	Speaker at Open Meeting

You can establish a Book Fund Savings Account! The Account allows you to send Book Fund Tributes with ease. For more information, contact Sue Lawler  
11827 N. 40<sup>th</sup> Place, Phoenix, AZ 85028 - 602-525-0231 [suelawler9@gmail.com](mailto:suelawler9@gmail.com)



Since 1948, BNC members have raised more than \$131 million to support Brandeis students, faculty, the library and cutting-edge research in neuroscience.



To support the **Magnify the Mind** campaign, [click HERE](#).

Linda Ullman, BNC Phoenix Donations Chair

9275 E. Siesta Lane, Scottsdale AZ 85255 [linda@lindaullman.com](mailto:linda@lindaullman.com) 520-405-7972

A card will be sent to your honoree.

For more information, contact Carol Kern, National Campaign Chair,

[cak8219@gmail.com](mailto:cak8219@gmail.com) 480-948-9236

### Magnify the Mind Campaign Donor

Helen & Michael Greenberg to Wendy Grainek  
In Memory of Maury Grainek, with our deepest sympathy

# 70 *for* 70

IN 1948, Brandeis University was established. Support from women and men all over the country raised funds to build the library and continued philanthropic support.

**WAYS TO MAKE A PLANNED GIFT:**

- Will or Bequest
- Gift Annuity
- IRA Gifts
- Beneficiary Designations
- Second home or a vacation home or condo

In celebration of the 70th anniversary of the Brandeis National Committee and Brandeis University, join the BNC 70 for 70 initiative — 70 new planned gifts by June 30, 2019.

BENEFITS: INCOME FOR LIFE - GIFT ANNUITIES			
YOUR AGE	% RATE OF RETURN	YOUR AGE	% RATE OF RETURN
65	5.1	80	7.3
70	5.6	85	8.3
75	6.2	90	9.5

In return for a gift, Brandeis offers to pay the donor fixed annuity payments every year for life at a set rate of return.

**BENEFITS FOR ANNUITIES INCLUDE:**

- Fixed income
- Partial income tax deduction
- Payments are partially tax deductible
- Partial capital gains

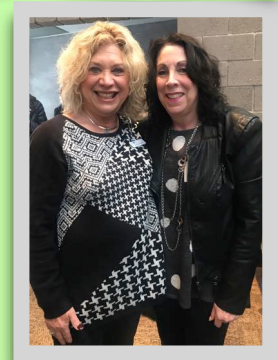
For information contact M'Lissa Brennan at 781-736 -4178 or email [mlissa@brandeis.edu](mailto:mlissa@brandeis.edu).

Brandeis National Committee

**70 FOR 70**  
BNC has a new initiative - in honor of the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of both Brandeis and the BNC



# Open Meeting Event



Photos by Chuck Abrams

## Out and About Enjoying Hiking



**Jewels of the Desert Mini-Hike** group  
Chris Crum, McDowell Sonoran  
Conservancy Master Steward and  
Area Historian, teaches the history of  
the Brown's Ranch Area.



**Leisure** Hiking group at  
Granite Mountain Balanced Rock



**Intermediate** Hiking group at  
Gooseneck Trail

# BNC PHOENIX CHAPTER LEADERSHIP SLATE 2019-2020



Chapter Officers and Members at Large for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.  
Voted on by the members at the **Open Meeting, February 20<sup>th</sup>**.  
**Effective April 12, 2019**



Thank you to all these dedicated volunteers for their willingness  
to serve our BNC Phoenix Chapter!

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President	Judy Levine
Executive Vice President	Jan Lebovitz
Executive Vice President	Linda Ullman
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VP Book & Author	Barbara Stern
VP Book & Author	Sharon Tievsky
VP Study Groups	Joellyn Pollock
VP Study Groups	Kathleen Witkin
VP Membership	Leith Baletin
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## **Respectfully submitted by the 2018-2019 BNC Phoenix Chapter Nominating Committee:**

Nancy Sacks-Goldberg and Iris Wigal, Co-Chairs

Michelle Fischler, Bonnie Furst, Stephanie Kloppe, Beth Messer, Andie Morrison, Linda Ullman