SAVE THE DATE!

HOLIDAY ODYSSEY LUNCHEON
Thursday, November 6, 2014

Olympic Collection
11301 W. Olympic Blvd. Los Angeles

FAB Boutiques, open 10 A.M.
Door Prizes
Delicious Luncheon
great entertainment

Watch for Invitation/Tearoff to follow.

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UNIVERSITY ON WHEELS

WEDNESDAY (NOTE DAY OF WEEK)
January 7, 2015
10 a.m.

Stephen S. Wise Temple
15500 Stephen S. Wise Temple Drive, L.A.

SEMINAR: Brandeis Professor, Dr. Tom Doherty, acclaimed social historian will speak on “Hitler and the Movies”.

Delicious Continental breakfast and outstanding luncheon will be served. Q&A to follow.

Watch for Invitation/Tearoff for event.
Message from the Presidium

It's that time again. Have you paid your BNC dues or is the notice still with your unopened pile of mail? If you're not a paid up member for 2014-15, you're not entitled to participate in a study group. Let's be certain all study group members are paid up BNC members.

Our bagel brunch was great fun with Rabbi Jeffrey Marx telling us how America introduced cream cheese to the Jewish people. What would lox have done without the cream cheese? The Theater 40 play was great fun for everyone who attended. Shirley Pollock made certain we had the best seats in the house in the center section.

We have some great things coming up on November 6 at our Holiday Odyssey event. There will be great food and lots of surprises. Mark your calendar and make your reservations.

On Wednesday, January 7, University on Wheels will again feature one of Brandeis University's outstanding educators, Professor Tom Doherty; Don't miss it.

Professors Suzanne Paradis and Avi Rodel are working on unraveling the molecular mechanics of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) or Lou Gehrig's disease. I doubt they've had the time to have buckets of ice over their heads. As usual, Brandeis is on top of finding a cure. This past spring Brandeis launched the Catalyst Fund a $100 million scholarship fundraising initiative that will ensure that a Brandeis education will be affordable to future generations of students. Nearly two out of every three students at the University receives financial aid.

It's well worth your yearly membership to support such an august institution.

Be sure you attend our September 18th meeting at Westside Pavilion, meeting room A. We're starting off our year with prominent trial lawyer, Amy Fisch Solomon who will talk about the upcoming election and some of the Propositions.

Ruth Getzoff

Lenny Bruce's papers are coming to Brandeis
Includes photographs, manuscripts, news clippings, and audiovisual recordings

Brandeis University has acquired the personal papers of Lenny Bruce, the late comedian and free-speech advocate known for his biting, often obscenity-laced satirical commentary on American society. The collection, held by Bruce’s daughter, Kitty Bruce, includes photographs, manuscripts, news clippings, audiovisual recordings and other material. A generous gift from the Hugh M. Hefner Foundation made the acquisition possible. Sarah Shoemaker, associate university librarian for archives and special collections, says the papers and materials span approximately 10 linear feet and will require processing and review. They will become part of the Robert D. Farber Archives and Special Collections.

“This is an exciting collection that touches on many subjects, including freedom of speech, censorship, social justice and Jewish humor, and it is a great fit for Brandeis,” says Shoemaker. “We are grateful to both Kitty Bruce and the Hugh M. Hefner Foundation for giving the collection a new home at Brandeis, where it will be available to researchers.”

Bruce’s nightclub performances in the early 1960s resulted in his multiple arrests for obscenity, including once following a Greenwich Village show in 1964 that led to a trial in which he was convicted on obscenity charges. Bruce appealed the verdict but died of a drug overdose on Aug. 3, 1966, before the appeal could be heard. In 2003, New York Gov. George E. Pataki pardoned Bruce posthumously, making the trial a landmark freedom of speech case. It was the first such pardon in New York’s history, and Pataki called it “a declaration of New York’s commitment to upholding the First Amendment.”

Brandeis will host a retrospective on Bruce and his life in 2016, 50 years after his death.
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Installation at Bagel Brunch

THEATRE 40
Decoding sleep, mapping quasars: A day in the life of undergraduate scientists

By Leah Burrows Aug. 4, 2014

Abby Knecht gets into the lab around 9 a.m. She chats with her colleagues, catches up on recent scientific journals and preps the Total Internal Reflection Fluorescence microscope for her single molecule experiments on DNA transcription.

It’s a typical summer morning for many graduate students across the country, except Knecht ’15 isn’t in graduate school — she is one of dozens of Brandeis University undergraduates who’s traded white beaches for white lab coats to work alongside faculty, graduate students and postdoctoral fellows researching epilepsy, mapping quasars, decoding sleep cycles and uncovering the chemical mysteries of cell differentiation. Knecht and her fellow student-scientists are designing research projects and writing research papers for publication with some of the university’s most distinguished scientists.

“I really feel like I am treated like a graduate student,” says Knecht, who works with Jeff Gelles, the Aron and Imre Tauber Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Pharmacology. “As an undergrad, I am treated with respect, and I am free to work on my own experiments.” “I often give my most speculative projects — those with the highest risk and highest reward — to undergraduates,” says physics professor Seth Fraden, PhD’87. “These undergraduates often surprise me by finding creative solutions. My lab’s two current research tracks, protein crystallization and Turing’s chemical basis of morphogenesis, were both started by undergraduates.”

July culminates in the annual SciFest, where student-scientists present their research to faculty and peers. This year, 86 students, including 64 Brandeis undergraduates and 21 summer visitors from around the world, presented their research in the sunny lobby of the Carl A. Shapiro Science Center.

Funding for undergraduate research comes from many sources, including the Provost’s Undergraduate Research Fund; the Jerome A. Schiff Undergraduate Fellows Program; the Division of Science Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowships; the National Science Foundation; the National Institutes of Health, and the Materials Research Science and Engineering Center Research Experience for Undergraduates.

“Working on pioneering research alongside grad students and postdocs gives undergraduates a chance to see what a life of research is really like, and it challenges their imaginations,” says Jim Haber, professor of biology and director of the Rosenstiel Basic Medical Sciences Research Center.

Time in the lab is transformative.

“You can’t really learn something until you have to do it yourself. I see things that I’ve learned in biology class every day in the lab,” says Adam Jones ’15, who spent the summer in professor Michael Rosbash’s lab. “I’m more excited about research now than I’ve ever been.”

Three Brandeis University students recently presented research findings on nail salon air quality at the 2014 International Conference on Environmental Science and Technology in Houston. Margaret Back ’16, Morgan Dashko ’15 and Tasneem Islam ’15 reported that workers in 15 nail salons in the Greater Boston area were exposed to high levels of harmful chemicals which are common in nail polishes, polish removers and acrylic and gel nails. The students’ findings were from a study they conducted with colleagues in Professor Laura Goldin’s Environmental Health and Justice Program, which is offered through the Justice Brandeis Semester (JBS). The Justice Brandeis Semester program is part of Brandeis’ commitment to creating and supporting intensive learning experiences with enduring impact, a central goal of the university’s strategic plan.
Members and friends of Flossy Liebman, our chapter’s venerable Treasurer, were saddened to learn of the sudden death of her grandson, Matt Bendik, entertainment and restaurant entrepreneur, age 31.

To memorialize Matt, Flossy and Matt’s family, parents (Members) Nancy and Robert Bendik and sister Amy, created a Fund designated toward a “Brandeis Sustaining The Mind Scholarship”. This is a very generous effort on the part of Matt’s Family and we encourage you to join in supporting this endeavor.

To date, the following friends of Flossy and the Bendik Family have contributed to this worthy cause:

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FLOSSY LIEBMAN AND FAMILY OF MATT BENDIK

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All donations are greatly appreciated by the Liebman-Bendik family and Brandeis National Committee, and will enhance the scientific research at Brandeis University.

New gifts will be listed in the next UPDATE, unless you wish to remain anonymous. Thank you.
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**GET WELL SOON, TO:** Alison and her Mom Maxine Pink, Lee Zlotnick, Adele Cooper, Evelyn Finkelstein and Marcia Shaiken.

**BEST WISHES TO:**
Anita KarbelNig, on her move to the Valley. We will miss you.  
Sharron Lerman on her upcoming surgery.

**DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO:**
Flossy Liebman, Nancy & Robert and Amy Bendik on the passing of grandson, son, brother , Matt Bendik.  
Temmie Siegal, on loss of beloved Husband David.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO:**
Shirley Pollock, on Granddaughter Hannah’s new position as Assistant LaCrosse Coach at Occidental College.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:**
BERNIE POLLACK, THANKS FOR THE PICTURES YOU TAKE FOR OUR EVENTS!  
JUDGE JOHN HARRIS, IRV KIERMAN, AL VOGEL, JOAN SATT, AL WILNER
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2014-2015 CALENDAR
September 11  KEY MEMBER MEETING
September 18  GENERAL MEETING
September 25  ROSH HASHANAH
October 4  YOM KIPPUR
October 23  GENERAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 6  HOLIDAY ODYSSEY
November 20  GENERAL MEETING
JANUARY 7  UNIVERSITY ON WHEELS

GENERAL MEETINGS are held at 9:30 am at Westside Pavilion, Room A on the FOURTH Thursday of each month except in November and December when it is held on the THIRD Thursday. We welcome all members! Coffee and Refreshments before speaker.

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