SAVE THE DATE!

THURSDAY (NOTE DAY OF WEEK)
January 12, 2017 9:30 a.m.
SKIRBALL CULTURAL CENTER • 2701 SEPULVEDA BLVD., LOS ANGELES

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND SEMINAR WITH BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR. Q&A

See page 5 for Tearoff for event

HANUKKAH CELEBRATION!
Thursday, December 22
Westside Pavilion • Community Room A
9:45 A.M.

Member Lee Hahn and Shelly Markham, both gifted soloists, have teamed up to perform a dynamic and entertaining program that includes many duets.

One of the highlights of their performance is a story composed entirely of show tunes which chronicle the lives of a man and a woman through the spring, summer and fall of their lives together. Their vast repertoire includes Broadway songs, original songs as well as Yiddish and Hebrew songs. Both Lee and Shelly believe in keeping their music accessible to a wide audience.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS AVAILABLE

Dine Around Town
Legal Puzzlers
Sunday on the Town

New study groups in formation:
Books, Films, Current Issues

CONTACT CHAIRPERSONS LISTED ON PAGE 3.
WELCOME FROM THE NEW PRESIDUIUM

If you read the Mission Statement that we have included in every Update that we publish, you will know that Brandeis National Committee (including our Los Angeles Chapter), is dedicated to providing philanthropic support to Brandeis University a distinguished Liberal Arts and research University founded by the American Jewish community. There is more to the statement, and hopefully you have read it more than once and absorbed its message. Since its beginning BNC has supported not only the library, but has included scholarships and research, and other important projects. In order to continue this work, we need the cooperation of all of our members. The education provided to its students allows them to take advantage of many of life’s opportunities and in so doing, make our world a better place. Please be certain we have your correct contact information (and your email, if you have one). Attend our monthly meetings where we strive to have interesting speakers and/or entertainment. UNIVERSITY ON WHEELS will take place on January 12, 2017. Make note of the date and plan to attend. It’s always an important time to hear one of the University’s outstanding professors. If there is anything you feel our Chapter needs to do to enhance your participation, please don’t hesitate to contact me or someone in our Presidium. I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

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Dear Brandeis National Committee Members,

Anita Hill, acclaimed Brandeis University Professor of Social Policy, Law, and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies specifically asked me that this invitation be shared with YOU.

This unique webinar series, Conversations with Extraordinary Women, focuses on the talents and accomplishments of significant role models in our history and present times. The first installment features former Congresswoman Pat Schroeder being interviewed by Director of the Schuster Institute for Investigative Journalism Florence Graves, with an introduction by Associate Professor of Politics and WGS Jill Greenlee on October 27, 2016 at 12:00 PM.

Connect with Brandeis from your home computer. If you like this, there are more in the series to come! I am registering and I hope you will register as well!

Beth Bernstein MA ’90
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I have very mixed feelings as my term as president of BNC ends. I have been honored to serve as National President of BNC, and I am very proud of its growth and successes during my tenure. But, it is time for the next National President to tackle the work that still needs to be done. We are so fortunate the very capable Madalyn Friedberg will take over beginning July 1, 2016. This has been the hardest, most time-consuming job I have ever loved... and I will miss it! Mostly, I will miss the people I worked so closely with, but I do plan to keep those friendships going! Dr. Seuss advises, “Don’t cry because it is over, smile because it happened.” I will try to remember that!

When I retired from my 35-year career as a social worker, I wanted to find a meaningful volunteer job. I agree with the late Martin Luther King Jr., who said, “Life’s most persistent and urgent question is ‘What are you doing for others?’” I wanted to make a difference. I loved my alma mater, Brown University, but it has plenty of older alumni contributing.

I chose to support Brandeis, whose alumni are by comparison very young, because my support would really make a difference. I am thrilled that I have been asked to continue as a member of the University’s Board of Trustees, so that I can continue to support this wonderful institution.

Brandeis is a very unique university. It is the only nonsectarian, Jewish sponsored university in the U.S. It is a small, liberal arts university with a national research component. It is a Jewish-founded school that prizes diversity. It has bold ambitions in education, research and repairing the world, but has limited resources. It is up to us to supplement those resources, and I am grateful to each and every one of you for helping me do just that.

Barbara Sander
President, Brandeis National Committee

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Join the Los Angeles Chapter, BNC, for the 2017 UNIVERSITY ON WHEELS “THEATER FOR SOCIAL CHANGE” with JENNIFER CLEARY, Senior Lecturer of Theater Arts

“Perhaps the theater is not revolutionary in itself; but have no doubts, it is a rehearsal of revolution!” - Augusto Boal, “Theatre of the Oppressed” (1974)

Professor Cleary has taught in the theater arts department at Brandeis University for 17 years, mentoring and teaching stage management, creative pedagogy, oral communication and applied theatre. One of the courses she teaches is “Playing for Change: Community-Building and Social Change On Stage,” which is inspired by and grounded in Boal’s energizing and playful techniques.

She earned her EdM in Arts-in-Education from Harvard University and is a proud member of Actors’ Equity Association. Professor Cleary received the Louis Dembitz Brandeis Prize for Excellence in Teaching in 2015.

ADDITIONAL THIS YEAR: SHIRLEY POLLOCK WILL BE HONORED ON HER ELECTION AS "FELLOW OF BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY". Joyce Krasnow will do the honors.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2017 • 9:30 AM

Continental Breakfast followed by Lecture and Lunch
Skirball Cultural Center • 2701 N. Sepulveda Blvd., Los Angeles
Open to BNC Members and Guests
$85.00 Reservations postmarked no later than Dec. 22, 2016
$100.00 reservations postmarked after Dec. 23, 2016
To benefit Brandeis Research and Scholarships. Tax deductible amount $15.00
NO REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED AFTER JANUARY 4TH

Mail check (payable to BNC), with tear-off to: Roberta Kampner, 2142 Century Park Lane, #308, LA, CA 90067. Reservations must be received no later than January 4th. Please PRINT legibly.

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Carole Seedman, Book Fund chair, is available to facilitate your Book Fund tribute cards: $5, $10, $15,$18 and $25.

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### LOS ANGELES, BNC, HONORS

**SHIRLEY POLLOCK ON HER ELECTION TO BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF FELLOWS**

Shirley celebrates 35 years of her love, work and admiration for Brandeis University, her adopted Alma Mater. Joyce Krasnow, past National BNC President and outgoing President of the Board of Fellows will do the honors at our University on Wheels event, January 12. Donations to Brandeis University in Shirley’s honor will be greatly appreciated. Pledge cards will be provided.

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### ART VENTURES

On Nov. 3 Art Ventures visited a sculpture studio in Culver City, watched stone carvers, and had a lesson in sculpting using clay, and paint. It was a great experience.

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**Andie and Marian**
Top News Stories

Ronald Liebowitz inaugurated as Brandeis' ninth president

'It is our charge, our opportunity now, to reignite the flame of our mission,' he tells students, faculty, alumni and friends.

Watch here >>

Watch: Inauguration in 125 seconds

Check out the highlights of a historic day at Brandeis.

Watch here >>

Watch: Stephen Donadio '63 speaks at inauguration

Middlebury College professor explains how Brandeis changed the course of his life.

Watch here >>

Sam Vaghar '08 turns social justice into social action

As a past Brandeis National Committee student ambassador, Sam Vaghar has changed the social justice frontier. Beth Bernstein, BNC's Executive Director, serves on the board of directors of the MCN.

Read full story >>

Camerson Braz '17 found a family at Brandeis

Judges swimmer Cameron Braz '17 transferred to Brandeis after his first year in college and found success both in and out of the pool.

Read full story >>
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GENERAL MEETINGS are held at 9:45 am at Westside Pavilion, Room A every FOURTH Thursday of each month, with an outstanding lecture series. We welcome all members! Coffee and refreshments before the speaker.

GENERAL MEETING December 22, 2016 - Hanukkah Party
University on Wheels January 12, 2017
General Meeting January 26, 2017

find out news about BNC at bncla.org

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